

Mother Kissed Me In My Dream - song lyrics

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[A young soldier who was severely wounded at the battle of Antietam, lay at one of the hospitals at Frederick. A surgeon passing by his bed side, and seeing his boyish face lighted up with a peaceful smile, asked him how he felt. "Oh! I am happy and contented now," the soldier replied; "last night mother kissed me in my dream."]

Lying on my dying bed,
Through the dark and silent night,
Praying for the coming day,
Came a vision to my sight;
Near me stood the forms I loved,
in the sunlight's mellow gleam;
Folding me unto her breast,
Mother kissed me in my dream;
Mother, mother,
Mother kissed me in my dream.

Comrades, tell her, when you write,
That I did my duty well,
Say that, when the battle raged.
Fighting in the van I fell.
Tell her, too, when on my bed
Slowly ebb'd my being's stream
How I knew no peace until
Mother kissed me in my dream;
Mother, mother,
Mother kissed me in my dream

Once again I long to see
Home and kindred far away;
But I feel I shall be gone
Ere there dawns another day!
Hopefully I bide the hour
When will fade life's feeble beam,
Ev'ry pang has left me now,
Mother kissed me in my dream;
Mother, mother,
Mother kissed me in my dream.