

298 TRAVELIN' SOLDIER DIXIE CHICKS 19/11/21

(#216/7 is in key of G)

INTRO: A /

VERSE 1

A

Two days past eighteen
He was waitin' for the bus in his army greens

D

Sat down in a booth, in a cafe there,

A

He gave his order to a girl with a bow in her hair

VERSE 2

A

He's a little shy so she gives him a smile
And he said would you mind sittin' down for a while

D A

And talkin' to me, I'm feelin' a little low

G D A

She said I'm off in an hour and I know where we can go

VERSE 3

A

So they went down and they sat on the pier
He said I bet you got a boyfriend but I don't care

D A

I got no one, to send a letter to

G D A

Would you mind if I sent one back here to you

CHORUS

F#m D

I I I I cried - Never gonna hold the hand of another guy

A

Too young, for him they told her

E

Waitin' for the love of a travelin' soldier

F#m

Our love will never end

D

Waitin' for the soldier to come back again

A

Never more to be alone

E A

When the letter said, a soldier's comin' home

(omit "home" when repeating chorus)

OUTRO: A, A, A, A, fading

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VERSE 4

A

So the letters came from an army camp
In California then Vietnam

D

And he told her of his heart, it might be love

A

And all of the things he was so scared of

VERSE 5

A

He said when it's gettin' kinda rough over here
I think of that day sittin' down at the pier

D

A

And I close my eyes, and see your pretty smile

G

D

A

Don't worry but I won't be able to write for a while

Chorus then. . . .

VERSE 6

A

One Friday night at a football game
The Lord's Prayer said and the anthem sang

D

A man said "Folks, would you bow your head

A

A

To a list of local Vietnam dead"

VERSE 7

A

Cryin' all alone under the stands
Was a piccolo player in the marchin' band

D

A

And one name read, and nobody really cared

G

D

A

But the pretty little girl, with a bow in her hair

Chorus x2 Omitting "home" in last line of chorus – go straight in to repeat, then outro.