

## Cruel War

Flags were placed on all war graves today  
Soldiers of all different nationalities coming together  
You were in unison fighting for your country  
We should never forget what you did for us and your bravery.

So many lives lost war is so cruel it shouldn't have been  
Looking around the cemetery today seeing the small flags flying  
Really brought it home of how all the comrades lied there in ditches dying.

It's a shame we only get reminded of what you did on poppy and Anzac day  
When you fought for a number of years in terrible conditions.  
Young boys lying about their ages just to go off to fight  
Many never to return to their families again.  
Many parents didn't even get their loved ones body back to bury  
All they got was a headstone put up amongst other brave soldiers in cemeteries.  
Thousands and thousands of men and women unnecessarily killed,  
We should realise war doesn't achieve anything it's just murder.  
We have great respect for what you did for a better future for us,  
You all gave your life we should all think of that and appreciate what you all did.  
The lucky ones who did make it back, didn't even get a hero's welcome home,  
You all were and still are heroes in our eyes,  
Countries owe you a lot  
You had to fight sometimes on empty stomachs due to rations,  
Your socks and boots you had to wear all the time with feet going rotten  
Even all the dogs and horses getting injured and killed.  
We SALUTE each and every one of you  
Rest in peace such brave boys, girls, men and women not forgetting the animals

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