

Lest We Forget Poetry Competition - 2018

"An Unprecedented Trial"

I remember, you remember, we all remember...

One minute of silence you can imagine; sailing vessels in calm waters, birds singing, sunny days, rainy nights, rowing boat tirelessly to prepare for a fight far, far away.

One minute of silence you can imagine; bags as heavy as steel, hardly a grain down the mouth, through the darkest nights and longest days, hearing guns getting loaded faster than lightning, bomb exploding, enemies face to face, an eye for an eye, closer by closer, fear by fear, brave by brave and courage by courage.

One minute of silence you can imagine; seeing red not poppies but blood, seeing injured seeing dead, feeling lost, feeling cold, some were young, some were old, flying falling flat one by one like autumn leaves, selfless sacrifice, didn't even think twice.

One minute of silence you can imagine; laying in foreign, the grandpas, the papas, the sons, the brothers, the husbands, the nephews and the uncles - our brave soldiers. Brave
o brave, we know what you did
to serve the nation.

One minute of silence you can imagine; generation after generation til this day, I will remember, you will remember and we all will remember our heroes, our legends.

One minute of silence, you can imagine!

– Fauzaan Muhammed