

GOODNIGHT SAIGON

Words and Music by
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Slow and steady

F



Dm



Bb maj7



G9



mp

We met as

Dm/F



G7



C



C/E



Dm/F



G7



soul mates On Par - ris Is - land We left as in - mates From an a -
spas - tic Like tame - less hors - es We left in plas - tic As num - bered

p - mp

C



Em



Am



Em



Am



sy - lum And we were sharp As sharp as knives And we were
corp - ses And we learned fast To trav - el light Our arms were

1. Dm



Dm/C



G/B



Dm7/A



G



so gung ho To lay down our lives — We came in

2. Dm Dm/C Bb Gm Dm

heav - y But our bel - lies were tight

G9 Dm/F G7 C C/E

We had no home front We had no soft soap They sent us

Dm/F G7 C Em Am

Play - boy They gave us Bob Hope We dug in deep And shot on

Em Am Dm Dm/C G/B Dm7/A G

sight And prayed to Je - sus Christ with all of our night We had no

Dm/F
G7
C
C/E
Dm/F
G7

mf
 cam - 'ras weeks To shoot the land - scape We passed the hash pipe And played our
 six weeks On Par - ris Is - land We held the coast - line They held the

C
Em
Am
Em
Am

Doors tapes And it was dark So dark at night And we held
 high - lands And they were sharp As sharp as knives They heard the

with 8va b[♭]

Dm
Dm/C

on to each oth - er Like broth - er to broth - er We
 hum of our mo - tors They coun - ted the ro - tors And

Bb
F/A
Gm7
C/Bb

prom - ised our moth - ers we'd write } And we would
 wait - ed for us _____ to ar - rive }

F/A Bb C C/Bb F/A Bb G7/B

all go down to - geth - er — We said we'd all go down to -

C C/Bb F/A Bb Dm/A G9 F

geth - er — Yes we would all go down to - geth - er —

p sub.

To Coda

Dm G9 Dm/F G7 C C/E

Re - mem - ber Char - lie Re - mem - ber Bak - er They left their

mp

Dm/F G7 C Em Am Em Am

child - hood On ev - 'ry a - cre And who was wrong? And who was right? It did - n't

f

with 8va b-----

Dm Dm/C Bb G9

mat - ter in the thick of the fight

Am G/B C Dm E Dm/F F E7 - 9

We held the day In the palm Of our hand

p

Am G/B C Dm E Dm/F G9 *D.S. al Coda*

They ruled the night And the night Seemed to last as long as

mp *mf*

Coda Dm Bbmaj7 G9 F *Repeat and fade*