

## Strong Heavy Boots

Strong heavy boots up to the knee—  
A symbol of power for all to see.  
Going to places we cannot imagine,  
Performing duties that few could fathom.

Representing a legacy for oh so long.  
These worn, heavy boots—powerful and strong.  
Protecting its owners from the dangers and dread,  
Shielding from weather and debris shed.  
Unrecognized friends to the soldiers' feet  
As they walk through villages and dangerous streets.

The sight of these boots may seem normal to us.  
But in other places they're the beacon of trust.  
For they stand for more than protection, you see,  
To many, they're the transporters of tranquility.  
As long as they're laced, the boots have a mission.  
But once they're removed, they leave people wishing—  
That strong heavy boots would return to their aid.  
Because they carry peace for those left afraid.  
It's tragic for all when boots are worn down,  
For the loss of their footsteps is a haunting sound.

Empty heavy boots is a frightening sight  
For it symbolizes a problem or a soldier's plight.  
Strong heavy boots sadly sit by the door  
Since their use in this world is no more.

