

Honorable Mention

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The Light that Still Burns Bright

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The darkest hour for the Jews had arrived,
no more than a third had survived.

But even through the darkest nights,
the flame still burns warm and bright.

And when giving shelter was strictly forbidden,
the Jews still found a way to stay hidden.

And so even through the darkest nights,
the flame still burns warm and bright.

But even when they were taken away from their homes and possessions,
they choose to fight and leave lasting impressions.

And even through the darkest nights,
the flame still burns warm and bright.

And even if they had to wear the big, yellow, star,
if it showed the Germans who they “truly are”,
through those kind of dark nights,
the flame still burns warm and bright.

And just as they were about to leave,

The poor children lost their childhood without any time to grieve.

But even through the darkest nights,
the flame still burns warm and bright.

But oh, those horrible marches in the snow,
where friends are gone forevermore.

But even through the darkest nights,
the flame still burns warm and bright.

And when they thought they were simply showering,
They never could have imagined the horrors they would have seen.
But even through the darkest nights,
the flame still burns warm and bright.
And although they knew their end was near,
On their way to the horrible death camp,
they rose up to fight without any fear.
And even through the darkest nights,
the flame still burns warm and bright.
But as liberation day came,
They knew they could never be the same.
But instead of chasing fame,
They knew they had to keep the light a-flame .
And so, even through the darkest nights,
the flame still burns warm and bright.

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