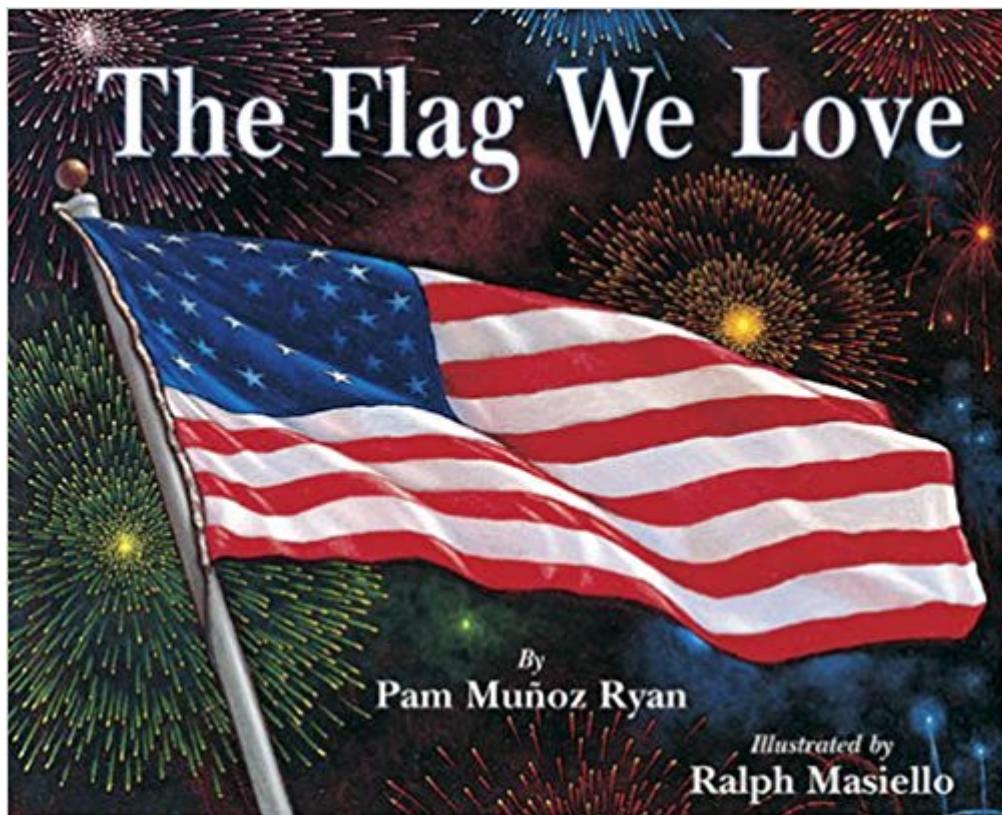


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# The Flag We Love



## **Synopsis**

This spirited tribute to Old Glory will inspire readers, young and old, to take a new look at the greatest emblem of the United States of America. With patriotic verse and historical facts, THE FLAG WE LOVE explores how our flag has become an enduring part of our nation's proud history and heritage. From its earliest designs to its role in peace-time and war, the Star-Spangled Banner will take on a whole new meaning for all readers. The bold, rich illustrations by Ralph Masiello highlight significant points in history, as well as commonplace moments of American life, when our flag symbolizes the people and ideals of the United States of America.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

Strike up the band and prepare to salute-this patriotic picture book unabashedly celebrates the Stars and Stripes. In a series of earnest verses, Ryan (One Hundred Is a Family) introduces young readers to our national symbol and the ideals for which it stands ("Americans stand together/ Before ceremonies start/ And promise their allegiance/ With their hands across their hearts"), while prose insets offer historical tidbits in a sidebar format. The book's clean, airy layout contrasts with Masiello's (The Extinct Alphabet Book) intense, sometimes murkily-hued oil paintings, which echo Ryan's text in their solemnity and fervor. Nonetheless, the result should delight Yankee Doodle dandies everywhere, and could help spark discussion on the basic elements of democracy. All

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Grade 1-6?A poetical history of the U.S. flag. Each double-page spread features a four-line, rhymed verse of mediocre quality and a box of well- and little-known trivia on the left, and a full-page painting on the right. The stronger illustrations include such moving scenes as the train carrying Lincoln's coffin, the Vietnam War Memorial, and an astronaut walking on the moon with a U.S. flag reflected in his visor. Other pictures are less effective?the ill-proportioned, misshapen hands on several figures are distracting. Overall, however, the bold, detailed paintings in muted colors help to emphasize the patriotic theme. An additional purchase.?Eunice Weech, M. L. King Elementary School, Urbana, IL

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i read from this and have a "test" for my kids later in the day. such a great way to learn our flags amazing history!

Beautiful book, artwork lovely. I love to add to a collection of Patriotic Books for grandboys.

Good book, both for the younger child [done in rhyme] & interesting facts for the older child.

great

This beautiful book opens with MuÃ±oz's first inspiring verse:Our flag is our country's symbolOf ideals that are meant to lastIt's a promise for our futureA reminder of our past....The accompanying illustration by Ralph Masiello shows a freshly whitewashed barn with an American flag gracing one side. A farmer's furrowed field, a vast blue sky and bucolic setting complete the scene. Each page that follows presents another verse, accompanying illustration, and a text box that imparts a piece of our flag's history to the reader. The book is stunning to look at, informative and heartwarming to read. It is a good introduction to youngsters about how our flag came to be, how it's changed over the years, and its meaning to us as citizens.Carolyn Rowe Hill

I enjoyed the book The Flag We Love. I found out by her, and Ralph Maseillo the true meaning of the book. It's about the history of the Flag. It's a very sad book, but also very interesting, fun facts,

and just great to feel how many lives were lost so we could have our freedom! My favorite part in the Flag We Love is when I saw the wall of all the soldiers that died in the Viet Nam War. I just don't think elementary students would like this book, but also a higher grade! It's an educational book, but it is also a very wonderful book! I think if you have not read The Flag We Love then you should try it!!

The Flag We Love is a very good book. It teaches you about the history of are country! It taught me a lot about my country. My little brother thought it was the best book he ever read!!! And the weird thing is he hates reading so whenever my mom makes him read the book is The Flag We Love!! The pictures in this book are very impressive!! I also liked the words they were very touching! I give this book as many stars as it can get. I thought this book was very good for little children and also good for any age! My mom and dad even read it!!

The creative book The Flag We Love is a well-written and a well-illustrated book. I think that author Pam and illustrator Ralph had an excellent partnership creating this book. The Flag We Love tells why America is soooo special. My favorite page in this book is when Ralph drew Betsey Ross sewing the beautiful American flag together. I think every child would enjoy reading this interesting book. It shows us the history about the flag. I like how it tells you information below the poem. I rate this book 5 stars.

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