

Fred Keenor

The man who never gave up

The smiling ghost of Keenor goes drifting along
The deeds of long ago come back like a haunting song
The statue has cast a magic spell
And Fred has an uplifting story to tell

I remember 1916 at Devil's Wood, the battle was like hell
I was injured and waited for my last farewell
Then a comrade rescued me just in time
I owe him my life that day on the front line

I remember 1927 with much emotion
The streets were full when I held the FA Cup with devotion
Cardiff City won the English cup with determination
We brought it home to proud Wales to a roaring celebration

Now in 2012 Fred Keenor's story has been told
The inspiring memories will endure as long as gold
Bluebirds! Bluebirds! We hear the battle cry
The hero's long awaited statue is here to testify

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