

Scouting's Highest Honor - EAGLE

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There are really two types of Eagles
One that walks and one that flies
Both eagles soar not touching down
Each cherishing clear blue skies

The Eagle that is honored here
Is a Scout who understands
A lad that approaches every job
With two eager helping hands

A man must sometimes walk alone
And stand firm for what he believes
A life spent working for all mankind
Is a legacy he can be proud to leave

An Eagle Scout is loyal and true
His bond is his sacred word
He's trustworthy and a friend to all
A true calling is the one he's heard

The time that's spent upon this Earth
Is a gift that is given to each
You can spend it wisely and spend it well
And for the stars you can choose to reach

An Eagle Scout travels a chosen path
A path that is always straight and true
Avoiding pitfalls that can block his way
He navigates until he's carefully through

Today's honor bestowed unlike any other kind
Is what this Eagle Scout has earned
The honor is not the important thing
But rather all the things he's learned

Steadfast with a heart that's truly rare
An Eagle knows the score
His love of his country is evident
He's a loyal patriot to the core

Proficient in any number of fields
An Eagle Scout always succeeds
Helping others on their chosen roads
Accomplishing countless good deeds

And so we gather together here today
To pay homage and yet so much more
We honor this great accomplishment
And an Eagle who's just starting to soar