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## "A Tribute to Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam"

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**Kalam!** A timeless epic given by time,  
A treasure that can never be erased by time!

**Kalam!** Born in Rameshwaram,  
He introduced rocket technology,  
Became the father of missiles,  
Responsible for nuclear explosion,  
He earned a permanent place in the hearts of Indians!

**Kalam!** A pillar that lifted up the sleeping,  
Downtrodden Indians with just one word—  
"Dream!"

**Kalam!** Proved through his life  
That poverty is not a barrier to progress,  
That one's mother tongue is not a barrier to advancement,  
But perseverance and hard work are the reasons for success!

**Kalam!** The humble man who showed  
The strength of Indians to the world!

**Kalam!** The great man who changed everything,  
He not only changed the practices in India,  
But also changed the minds of the Indian people!

**Kalam!** Simple like Gandhi,  
Friendly with children like Nehru,  
In politics like Kamaraj,  
In compassion like Mother Teresa,  
And a motivator of the youth like Vivekananda!

**Kalam!** Many may live with individual greatness,  
But he was the only great man who lived with multiple excellences!

**Kalam!** The first son who did not just represent his mother,  
But introduced the Indian mother to the entire world!

**Kalam!** Even though you have left this world,  
Your memories remain forever in our hearts,  
Providing us with inspiration and encouragement!

**Kalam!** We haven't departed from you,  
We are following you,  
We will fulfill your dreams,  
We will make India a superpower,  
With the motivation of your words,  
On the path you showed!

**Kalam!** Loved while you were alive,  
Now, you are breathed by 1.2 billion people,  
You will continue to live as long as  
The last Indian takes a breath!