In the year 1876, the hundredth anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence of the United States of America was celebrated throughout the country.

For one of the celebrations, held in the little village of Brandon, Vermont, Mr. D. C. Roberts wrote the poem "God Of Our Fathers." It was not published as a hymn until 1894 when the music for it was written by George Warren, a New York City organist. It has come to be known as our National Hymn.

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Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.