

# No Train to Memphis

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Well lightning struck at midnight with the thunder and the rain  
My sleep was interrupted by the rhythm of a train  
I asked of the conductor where this old train was bound  
He punched my ticket then he whispered, "Memphis Town" But there ain't no train to Memphis anymore  
You've got to take the highway when you go  
Well them rusty tracks from Nashville  
Lay beside that stretch of road  
But there ain't no train to Memphis any more Well I pinched myself and crossed my heart to see if it was real  
Or was I just imagining the grinding of the wheels  
I swore I heard that whistle and the clic-kity clack  
As I rode that phantom streamline on a west bound track Because there ain't no train to Memphis anymore  
You've got to take the highway when you go  
Well them rusty tracks from Nashville  
Lay beside that stretch of road  
But there ain't no train to Memphis any more Well we cruised into the delta like we woke up from a dream  
I felt a bit confused 'cause I was blinded by the steam  
Well I said, "I come from Nashville and I just got off the train"  
And that driver looked at me as if he thought I was insane Because there ain't no train to Memphis anymore  
You've got to take the highway when you go  
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Lay beside that stretch of road  
But there ain't no train to Memphis any more

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