

West Virginia Ground

Dwight McCall

I was born in West Virginia
It's always been my home
This forty acre tract of land
Is all I've ever known
We've had our share of hard times
But they never brought us down
Our roots run deep through this piece of West Virginia ground

Granpa built a cabin here in 1869
The branches of our family tree
Run straight down through the mine
The last coal train left Campbell
In the spring of '63
That's when the people moved away
Most everyone but me

Chorus:
West Virginia ground is all I know
It's in my blood
It's black as coal
So when I die just lay me down
~Neath this West Virginia ground

We raised up seven children
But they've all moved away
My lovin' wife of fifty years
Is restin' here today
I know my time is ending
I've laid my shovel down
And lonely tears are fallin' on this West Virginia ground

Chorus
Instrumental
Chorus

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~Neath this West Virginia ground

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