The Night They Drove Old Dixie Down

The Allman Brothers Band

Virgil Caine is the name I served on the Danville Train So much cavalry came And tore up the tracks again In the summer of sixty-five We were hungry just barely alive By May the tenth, Richmond had fell It's a time I remember so well The night they drove old Dixie down And the bells were ringin' The night they drove old Dixie down And the people were singin' They went la, na, na, na, na, na La, na, na, na, na, na, na Back home in Tennessee My wife called out for me Say Virgil come quick and see There goes Robert E Lee I don't mind choppin' wood And I don't care if da money ain't good You take what you need and save the rest But they should never have taken the very best The night they drove old Dixie down And the bells were ringin' The night they drove old Dixie down And the people were singin' They went la, na, na, na, na, na La, na, na, na, na, na, na Like my father before me He was a workin' man Like my brother above me He took a rebel's stand He was just eighteen proud and brave When a Yankee laid him in his grave I swear by the blood beneath my feet You can't raise a Caine back up when he's in defeat The night they drove old Dixie down And the bells were ringin' The night they drove old Dixie down

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