

# Captain Kennedy

Neil Young

I am a young mariner headed to war  
I'm thinkin' 'bout my family and what it was for  
There's water on the wood and the sails feel good  
And when I get to shore I hope that I can kill good.

My father was a sailor named captain kennedy  
He lost his wooden schooner to the germans on the sea  
Exploded on the water for everyone to see  
And humiliate that american captain kennedy.

I saw him in nassau in 1971  
His strength was failin' but he still ran a run

He worked 'til his fingers wore to the bone  
To buy that wooden schooner and sail on his own.  
He was known in the islands as hundred foot iron  
That steel hull freighter was passin' it's time  
And time flew by faster with life on the sea  
And the days grew shorter for captain kennedy.

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