

ENGINE 143

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Intro: A E A

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ALONG CAME THE F.F.E., THE SWIFTEST ON THE LINE
A B7 E
RUNNIN' O'ER THE C&O ROAD JUST TWENTY MINUTES BEHIND
A D A
RUNNIN' INTO SUEVILLE HEADQUARTERS ON THE LINE
A E A
RECEIVIN' THEIR STRICT ORDERS FROM THE STATION JUST BEHIND

GEORGIE'S MOTHER CAME TO HIM WITH A BUCKET ON HER ARM
SAYING MY DARLING SON BE CAREFUL HOW YOU RUN
MANY A MAN HAS LOST HIS LIFE BY TRYING TO MAKE LOST TIME
AND IF YOU RUN YOUR ENGINE RIGHT YOU'LL GET THERE JUST ON TIME

Instrumental: A E A

UP THE ROAD SHE DARTED AGAINST THE ROCKS SHE CRUSHED
UPSIDE DOWN THE ENGINE TURNED AND GEORGIE'S BREAST DID SMASH
HIS HEAD WAS AGAINST THE FIREBOX DOOR THE FLAMES WERE ROLLIN' HIGH
I'M GLAD I WAS BORN FOR TO BE AN ENGINEER ON THE C&O ROAD TO DIE

THE DOCTOR SAID TO GEORGIE MY DARLING SON BE STILL
YOUR LIFE MAY YET BE SAVED IF IT IS GOD'S BLESSED WILL
OH NO SAID GEORGE THAT WILL NOT DO I WANT TO DIE SO FREE
I WANT TO DIE FOR THE ENGINE I LOVE ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY THREE

THE DOCTOR SAID TO GEORGIE YOUR LIFE CANNOT BE SAVED
MURDERED UPON A RAILROAD AND LAID IN A LONESOME GRAVE
HIS FACE WAS COVERED UP WITH BLOOD HIS EYES YOU COULD NOT SEE
AND THE VERY LAST WORDS POOR GEORGIE SAID WAS NEARER MY GOD TO THEE