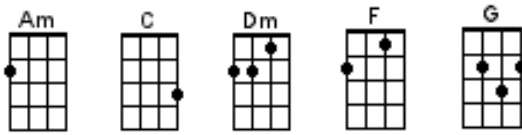


# The Night They Drove Old Dixie Down

Robbie Robertson, The Band (1969)



**INTRO:** / 1 2 3 4 / [Am] / [Am] /

[Am] Virgil [C] Caine is the name and  
I [F] served on the [Am] Danville [Dm] Train  
[Am] 'Til Stoneman's [C] cavalry came and  
They [F] tore up the [Am] tracks a-[Dm]gain  
[Am] In the winter of [F] '65,  
We were [C] hungry, just [Dm] barely alive  
[Am] By May tenth, [F] Richmond had fell  
It's a [C] time I re-[Dm]member oh so [D]↓ well

## CHORUS:

The [C] night they [F] drove old Dixie [C] down  
When all the [F] bells were ringin'  
The [C] night they [F] drove old Dixie [C] down  
And all the [F] people were singin'  
They went [C] na...na-na [Am] na-na-na na...  
[D] Na-na na-na na [F] na na-na-na-na / [F] [F]↓[G]↓/

[Am] Back with my wife in [C] Tennessee  
When [F] one day she [Am] called to [Dm] me  
[Am] Said "Virgil, [C] quick come and see  
[F] There goes the [Am] Robert E. [Dm] Lee!"  
Now [Am] I don't mind [F] choppin' wood, and  
I [C] don't care if the [Dm] money's no good  
You [Am] take what you need and you [F] leave the rest  
But they should [C] never have [Dm] taken the very [D]↓ best

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[D] na-na na-na na [F] na na-na-na-na / [F] [F]↓[G]↓/

**[Am]** Like my father be-**[C]**fore me  
**[F]** I will **[Am]** work the **[Dm]** land  
**[Am]** And like my brother a-**[C]**bove me  
**[F]** I took a **[Am]** rebel **[Dm]** stand  
 He was **[Am]** just 18, **[F]** proud and brave  
 But a **[C]** Yankee laid him **[Dm]** in his grave  
 I **[Am]** swear by the blood be-**[F]**low my feet  
 You can't **[C]** raise a Caine back **[Dm]** up when he's in de-**[D]**feat

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