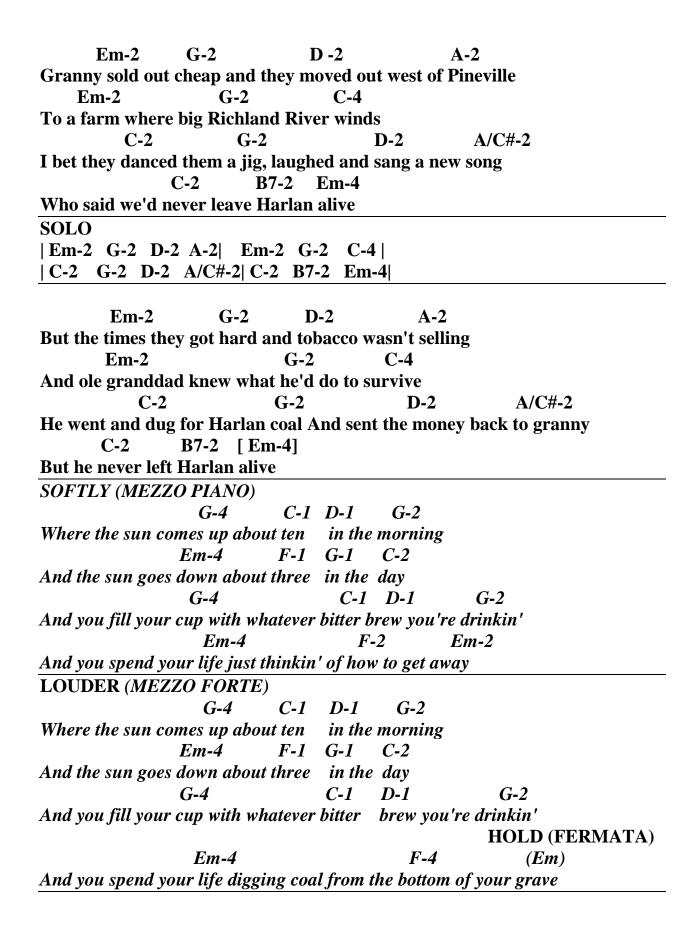
YOU'LL NEVER LEAVE HARLAN ALIVE
VERY LOOSE TIME (rubato)
Em-2 G-2 D-2 A-2
In the deep, dark hills of eastern Kentucky
Em-2 G-2 C-4
That's the place where I trace my bloodline
C-2 G-2 D-2 A/C#-2
And it's there I read on a hillside gravestone
STRUM TIME (TEMPO)
C-2 B7-2 Em-4 Em-4
You will never leave Harlan alive
Em-2 G-2 D-2 A-2
Well my granddad's dad walked down Katahrins Mountain
Em-2 G-2 C-4
And he asked Tillie Helton to be his bride
C-2 G-2 D-2 A/C#-2
Said, won't you walk with me out of the mouth of this holler
C-2 B7-2 Em-4
Or we'll never leave Harlan alive
G-4 $C-1$ $D-1$ $G-2$
Where the sun comes up about ten in the morning
Em-4 $F-1$ $G-1$ $C-2$
And the sun goes down about three in the day
G-4 $C-1$ $D-1$ $G-2$
And you fill your cup with whatever bitter brew you're drinkin'
Em-4 $F-2$ $[Em-4]$
And you spend your life just thinkin' of how to get away
Em-2 G-2 D-2 A-2
No one ever knew there was coal in them mountains
Em-2 G-2 C-4
'Til a man from the Northeast arrived
C-2 G-2 D-2 A/C#-2
Waving hundred dollar bills said, I'll pay you for your minerals
C-2 B7-2 Em-4 C-2 B7-2 Em-4
But he never left Harlan alive



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