Bobby Darin "In Memoriam"

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He's a ruthless opportunist
And he motivates by greed
He's just the way his father was
And that we sure don't need
So they all cried out destroy him
For he wants to see us drowned
They never understood him
So they put him in the ground.

Now some had stood for hours And some sat on the grass Listening to their radios For where the train had passed And a crowd will get impatient As the clock hands turn around They never understood him So they put him in the ground.

They handed out some candles
To the somber weary crowd
And told us not to light them
Till our eyes beheld the shroud
Not even at that moment
Could there be tranquility
I could feel them push and argue
Hey, sit down, I cannot see
They never understood him
So they put him in the ground.

When the fathers closed their bibles And the family left the site The ropes and walls and hedges Kind of faded in the night Replaced by all the people Who made a prayerful sound They never understood him So they put him in the ground.

Some people say the eighth of June But the morning of the ninth The workmen gently lowered him By the beam of three work lights Easy, take it easy
Set him down real slow
He'd been on some rougher trips
But he couldn't tell them so
They never understood him
So they put him in the ground.

Now no man has the answers
And he was just a man
And yet I can't help feelin'
That he knew a better plan
A shorter road to justice
On the trip that's freedom bound
But they never understood him
So they put him in the ground.

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