

## **Flatt And Scruggs**

# **"I'm Gonna Ride That Steamboat"**

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Now this is a story about the young man from Natchez  
Mississippi  
Whose father took a steamboat called the Delta Queen  
to New Orleans  
And got killed in a poker game  
The young man thought about it for awhile and then  
decided on revenge  
And he said I'm gonna ride that steamboat

That steamboat took my daddy to New Orleans  
He got killed in a poker game downtown  
Steamboat took my daddy to New Orleans  
Some poky Cajun gambler shot him down

Daddy rode that steamboat, didn't take me along  
And I've been sittin' there thinking all day long  
And I'm a gonna ride that steamboat, take my gun  
along  
I'll get the man that done my daddy wrong

Steamboat took my daddy to New Orleans  
Daddy was pretty good with a deck of cards

He said that he'd get rich in New Orleans  
'Cause the game's too good and the cash is pourin'  
high

But you can win no money when the deck of cards you  
stack  
And the steamboat never brought my daddy back  
And I'm a gonna ride that steamboat, take my gun  
along  
I'll get the man that done my daddy wrong

Steamboat took my daddy to New Orleans  
I know he wanted that money for us kids  
Steamboat took my daddy to New Orleans  
Now mama won't forgive the things he did

Daddy rode that steamboat, never took mom along  
And she's been sittin' there crying all day long  
And I'm a gonna ride that steamboat, take my gun

along

I'll get the man that done my daddy wrong

I'll get that man who's done my daddy wrong

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