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"Texas Rangers"

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Come all you Texas Rangers wherever you may be
I'll tell you of some troubles that happened unto me
My name is nothing extra so that I will not tell
And here's to all you rangers I'm sure I wish you well

It was at the age of sixteen I joined the jolly band
We marched from San Antonio unto the Rio Grande
Our captain he did inform us I guess he thought it right
Before we reached the station we'd surely have to fight

And before we reached the station our captain gave
command
To arms to arms he shouted and by your pony stand
I saw the smoke ascending it seemed to reach the sky
And then the thought it struck me my time had come to die

I heard the Indians coming I heard them give a yell
My feelings at that moment no human tongue could tell
I saw their glittering lances their arrows 'round me
through
And all my strength had left me and all my courage too

And all of us were wounded and our noble Captain
slain
The sun was shining sadly across the bloody plain
Sixteen as brave a rangers as ever rode the West
Were buried by their comrades with arrows in their
chest

And now my song has ended I guess I've sung enough
The life of any Ranger you see is very tough
And If you have a Mother who don't want you to roam
I'd advise you by experience you better stay at home

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