

Mississippi John Hurt "Casey Jones"

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He told his fireman to not to fear
Says, "All I want, my water and my coal
Look out the window, see me drive wheel roll"

Early one mornin' came a shower of rain
'Round the curve I seen a passenger train
In the cabin was Casey Jones
He's a noble engineer, man but he's dead and gone

Casey's wife, she got the news
She was sittin' on the bedside, she was lacin' up her shoes
Said, "Go away, children and hold your breath
You're gonna draw a pension after your daddy's dead"

"Children, children, get your hat"
"Mama, Mama, what you mean by that?"
"Get your hat, put it on your head
Go down in town, see if your daddy's dead"

"Mama, mama, oh, how can it be?
My daddy got killed on the old I.C."
"Hush your mouth I said and hold your breath
You're gonna draw a pension after daddy's dead"

Casey said, before he died
Fixed the blinds so the boys can't ride
If they ride, let 'em ride the rod
Trust they lives in the hands of God

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