

## **Jones Tom**

### **"16 Tons"**

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[1vsl]

Some people say a man is made out of mud well a poor  
man's made outta  
muscle and blood..Muscle and blood and skin and  
bone..and a mind  
that's weak..but a back thats strong.

[2vs]

And he was born one morning when the sun didn't  
shine..

He picked up his shovel and he went to the mines  
He loaded 16 tons of that number 9 coal..Til-  
the Straw boss said Well-uh b-less my soul!

[CHR]

You load 16 tons and whaddaya get??  
another day older and deeper in dept  
Saint Peter don'tcha call me 'Cause-  
I can't go...I owe my soul to the Company  
Store

[3vs]

So if you see him coming..you better step aside,-  
Alot of men didn't and alot of men died.  
He's got one fist of iron, and the other of  
steel..And if the right one doesn't get you..  
Then the night one will...

[CHR]

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