Ghost Riders In The Sky

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Em G An old cowpoke went riding out one dark and windy day. Em Upon a ridge he rested as he went upon his way. Em (C/E) (A/E) (C/E) When all at once a mighty herd of red-eyed cows he saw C (Am) Em Coming through the ragged sky, and up a cloudy draw.

Their brands were still on fire and their hooves were made of steel. Their horns were black and shiny and their hot breath he could feel. A bolt of fear went through him as they rumbled through the sky. Then he saw the riders coming hard, and he heard their mournful cry.

CHORUS: G Em (D) Yippe-ai-ay, yippee-ai-oh! C (Am) Em Ghost riders in the sky.

As the riders loped on by him, he heard one call his name. If you want to save your soul from hell, a riding on this range. Then cowboy change your ways today or with us you will ride. Trying to catch the devil's herd, across these endless skies.