

## Red Ribbon Road

Oh to travel down red ribbon road  
Where battles were fought so long ago  
Oh to travel down red ribbon road  
Where the hooves of a thousand horses echo

When the morning mist lifts and all is still  
When a soldier's fear chokes his will  
When his company staggers under a heavy load  
Comrades in arms on red ribbon road

Oh to travel down red ribbon road  
A thousand thoughts obscure your mind  
Oh to travel down red ribbon road  
You wonder whether mankind was blind

When the first shots are fired, his best friend is struck  
He drops to the ground, writhing in muck  
As life drains away, they call him brave and bold  
Loyal blood stains red ribbon road

Oh to travel down red ribbon road  
Where a bugle call might still be heard  
Oh to travel down red ribbon road  
And hear the lament of a lonely bird

The world spins around,  
his friend will not rise  
He cannot see clearly, hot tears sting his eyes  
He must fight the enemy as he has been told  
He must protect this red ribbon road

Oh to travel down red ribbon road  
Many lives were lost that day  
Oh to travel down red ribbon road  
So many dreams withered away

He summons the strength  
of a hundred men  
And lifts the limp body  
of his fallen friend  
Memories far more precious than gold  
Are laid to rest beside red ribbon road

Oh to travel down red ribbon road  
Where joy did end, and nightmares start  
Oh to travel down red ribbon road  
Where remembering can pierce the heart

The cannons blast their fury,  
a column of soldiers fall  
He raises his gun through the smoke, he will kill them all!  
To descend into chaos with no moral code  
That's the legacy of red ribbon road

Oh to travel down red ribbon road  
Where humanity endured untold abuses  
Oh to travel down red ribbon road  
Where time marches on and makes no excuses

More than ever he wants to live,  
to see his son once more  
To be held in the arms of his love, waiting at the front door  
He is weary now, but hangs onto Hope  
He will ride home to them  
on red ribbon road

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