



(Ghost) Riders in the Sky – A Cowboy Legend (Am)

Stan Jones, 1948

[Ghost Riders in the Sky](#) by Johnny Cash (1979) (Am)

[Ghost Riders in the Sky](#) by Vaughn Monroe (1949) (Am)

Intro Strum in on Am

Am C
An old cowboy went riding out one dark and windy day
Am C
U-pon a ridge he rested as he went along his way
Am
When all at once a mighty herd of red eyed cows he saw
F Am
A-plowing through the ragged sky - and up the cloudy draw.

Chorus

Am C C Am F Am | Am
Yippie yi Ohhhhh Yippie yi Aaaaay Ghost Riders in the sky.

Am C
Their brands were still on fire and their hooves were made of steel
Am C
Their horns were black and shiny and their hot breath he could feel
Am
A bolt of fear went through him as they thundered through the sky
F Am
For he saw the Riders coming hard and he heard their mournful cry. **Chorus**

Am C
Their faces gaunt, their eyes were blurred, their shirts all soaked with sweat.
Am C
He's riding hard to catch that herd, but he ain't caught 'em yet.
Am
'Cause they've got to ride forever on that range up in the sky
F Am
On horses snorting fire - as they ride on hear their cry. **Chorus**

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

Am C C Am
Yippie yi Ohhhhh Yippie yi Aaaaay
F Am F Am
Ghost Riders in the sky. Ghost Riders in the sky
F Am
Ghost Riders in - Ghost Riders in the sky

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Intro Strum in on Em

Em G
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Em G
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Em
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C Em
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Chorus

Em G G Em C Em | Em
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Em G G Em
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C Em C Em
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C Em
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