(GHOST) RIDERS IN THE SKY - Stan Jones

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Intro: |    |    |    |

An old cowpoke went ridin’ out one dark and windy day

Up-on a ridge he rested as he went along his way

When all at once a mighty herd of red-eyed cows he saw

A-plowin’ through the ragged skies, and up a cloudy draw

Yippie-yi yaaaay, yippie-yi ooooh, a ghost herd in the sky

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 thundered through the sky

For he saw the riders comin’ hard, and he heard their mournful cry

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Their faces gaunt, their eyes were blurred, their shirts all soaked with sweat

They’re ridin’ hard to catch that herd, but they ain't caught ‘em yet

‘Cause they’ve got to ride forever on that range up in the sky

On horses snortin’ fire, as they ride on, hear their cry

Yippie-yi yaaay, yippie-yi ooohh, ghost riders in the sky

As the riders loped on by him, he heard one call his name

'If you wanna save your soul from hell, a-ridin’ on our range

Then cowboy change your ways today or with us you will ride,

A-tryin’ to catch the devil's herd a-cross these endless skies

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