# The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald

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### [D] / [Am] / [C] [G] / [D] / [D]

The [D] legend lives on from the [Am] Chippewa on down Of the [C] big lake they [G] called Gitche [D] Gumee [D] The [D] lake, it is said, never [Am] gives up her dead When the [C] skies of No-[G]-vember turn [D] gloomy [D]

With a [D] load of iron ore twenty-six [Am] thousand tons more Than the [C] Edmund Fitz-[G]-gerald weighed [D] empty [D] That [D] good ship and true, was a [Am] bone to be chewed When the [C] gales of No-[G]-vember came [D] early [D]

The [D] ship was the pride of the A-[Am]merican side Comin' [C] back from some [G] mill in Wis-[D]consin As the [D] big freighters go, it was [Am] bigger than most With a [C] crew and good [G] captain well-[D]seasoned

Con-[D]cludin' some terms with a [Am] couple of steel firms When they [C] left fully [G] loaded for [D] Cleveland And [D] later that night when the [Am] ship's bell rang Could it [C] be the north [G] wind they'd been [D] feelin'?

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The [D] wind in the wires made a [Am] tattle-tale sound When the [C] wave broke [G] over the [D] railin' [D] And [D] every man knew, as the [Am] captain did too 'Twas the [C] witch of No-[G]-vember come [D] stealin' [D]

The [D] dawn came late and the [Am] breakfast had to wait When the [C] gales of No-[G]-vember came [D] slashin' When [D] afternoon came it was [Am] freezin' rain In the [C] face of a [G] hurricane [D] west wind

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When [D] suppertime came, the old [Am] cook came on deck sayin' [C] "Fellas, it's [G] too rough to [D] feed ya" [D] At [D] seven p.m. a main [Am] hatchway caved in, he said [C] "Fellas, it's [G] been good to [D] know ya" [D]

The [D] captain wired in he had [Am] water comin' in And the [C] good ship and [G] crew was in [D] peril And [D] later that night when his [Am] lights went out o' sight Came the [C] wreck of the [G] Edmund Fitz-[D]-gerald

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Does [D] anyone know where the [Am] love of God goes When the [C] waves turn the [G] minutes to [D] hours? [D] The [D] searchers all say they'd have [Am] made Whitefish Bay If they'd [C] put fifteen [G] more miles be-[D]hind her [D]

They [D] might have split up or they [Am] might have capsized They [C] may have broke [G] deep and took [D] water And [D] all that remains is the [Am] faces and the names Of the [C] wives and the [G] sons and the [D] daughters

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[D] Lake Huron rolls, Su-[Am]perior sings
In the [C] rooms of her [G] ice-water [D] mansion
Old [D] Michigan steams like a [Am] young man's dreams
The [C] islands and [G] bays are for [D] sportsmen [D]

And [D] farther below Lake On-[Am]-tario Takes [C] in what Lake [G] Erie can [D] send her And the [D] iron boats go as the [Am] mariners all know With the [C] gales of No-[G]-vember re-[D]membered

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In a [D] musty old hall in De-[Am]-troit they prayed In the [C] Maritime [G] Sailors' Ca-[D]-thedral [D] The [D] church bell chimed `til it rang [Am] twenty-nine times For each [C] man on the [G] Edmund Fitz-[D]-gerald [D]

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