I wake up in the morning
Just glad my boots are on
Instead of empty in the whispering grasses
Down the Five at Forest Lawn
On the set, the makeup girl brings me
Two raw eggs and a shot of gin
Then I give it all up for that little blue pill
That promises to bring it all back to you again

Ride me down easy Ride me down easy, friend Tonight the western stars are shining bright again

Here in the canyons above Sunset
The desert don't give up the fight
Coyote with someone's Chihuahua in it's teeth skitters
'Cross my veranda in the night
Some lost sheep from Oklahoma
Sips her Mojito down at the Whiskey Bar
Smiles and says she thinks she remembers me from that
Commercial with the credit card

Hell, these days there ain't no more Now there's just again Tonight the western stars are shining bright again

Sundays I take my El Camino

Throw my saddle in and go
East to the desert where the charros
They still ride and rope

Our American brothers cross the wire and bring the old ways with them Tonight the western stars are shining bright again $\frac{1}{2}$

Once I was shot by John Wayne
Yeah, it was towards the end
That one scene's brought me a thousand drinks
Set me up and I'll tell it for you, friend

Here's to the cowboys Riders in the whirlwind Tonight the western stars are shining bright again And the western stars are shining bright again

Tonight the riders on Sunset are smothered in the Santa Ana winds And the western stars are shining bright again

C'mon and ride me down easy
Ride me down easy, friend
'Cause tonight the western stars are shining bright again

I woke up this morning Just glad my boots were on