El Toreador

The Charlie Daniels Band

He was nobly born And a Spanish bull's horn Had left one scar on his handsome face

He stood like a prince And he had ever since He had grandly walked into the place

Though the girls of Madrid Tonight were forbid For tomorrow he must fight once more

Before he left the ball He would dance with them all 'Cause he was El Toreador

The day of the feast Was just a light in the east When he left Maria's warm bed

Her dark eyes said "more" But he walked thru the door Shaking cobwebs of dreams from his head

And later that day As he knelt to pray He said God grant me this nothing more

If it is the way And I must die today Let me die like a Toreador

The Plaza del Toros Shook from the roar As the band played the Toreador's theme

Alarmed by the sound The bull paws the ground As the Toreador enters the ring

Up and down, Round and round On and on, all alone

The shouts of olé In the heat of the day Rushed the hot blood to his Spanish heart

And the crowd held their breath As he flirted with death And the bull fighter's sword found it's mark

And trying to hide The wound in his side He walked from the ring standing tall

And a crowd gathered round

As he fell to the ground A priest held his hand Where he lay in the sand And he was heard to say A brave bull died today But he died like a Toreador