## **Townes Van Zandt**

Well, along come the FFV the swiftest on the line Running long the C&O road 20 min behind Running in the Subhill Headquaters on the line Receivin' their strict orders from a station just behind

Well, Georgie's mother come to him with a bucket on her arm Saying my darlin' boy be careful how you run Well, it's many a man has lost his life in trying to make lost time

But if you run your engine right you'll make it just on time

Aw, but off of the road she darted and into the rocks she crash ed

Well the engine she laid upside down and Georgie's breast was s mashed

Well his head lay against the firebox door and the flames were rolling high

Well I'm proud to be born for an engineer on the C&O road to die

Well, the doctor come to Georgie my darlin' boy be still Well, your life can yet be saved if it is god's bless it will Oh, no, no, it will not do, I wanna fly so free Well I wanna die with the engine I love a hundred forty three

Then the doctor said to Georgie well you're life cannot be save

Murdered out on the railroad, laid in a lonesome grave
But his face was all covered up with blood, his eyes they could
not see

And the very last words that G spoke were near my god to thee