## **The Goodnight-Loving**

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Ridin' against the wind in East New Mexico His skin is dry and worn as the Texas plains He's headed where the air is thin and and the cold blue norther s blow Up through the Raton Pass but he'll have to beat the early snow The winter of '64 was a great many years ago When a young man went away for the rebel cause And he was branded by the war and the only life he'd know Was lookin' over his shoulder saddle bound and layin' low Now there's a man on the goodnight-loving Like too many other men out on the trail Who found the hard way when the pushing comes to shoving He'd go six feet under before he'd go to jail Now there's a place just north of here where they say the outla ws qo Where a man can leave his name and past behind And every now and then you'll hear, he's gone the way of the bu ffalo And that he finally made the pass but he didn't beat the early snow Now there's a man on the goodnight-loving Like too many other men out on the trail Who found the hard way when the pushing comes to shoving He'd go six feet under before he'd go to jail He'd go six feet under before he'd go to jail