

How Many Will Be Remembered

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A million unsung heroes over there and here at home
Who are sleeping in their graves, their names are unknown
The Lincoln, Kings, and Kennedys will all go down in history
But so will Hitler and little old Al Capone

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We've got all kinds of people passing through this world today
We've got saints, sinners and losers and winners
The good old mes and yous
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When they start taking names for the hall of fame
And writing up the who's who
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I get a bad taste in my mouth every time I try to say
John Wilkes Booth, Lee Harvey Oswald and names like James Earl Ray
They're never to be forgotten, it seems
But they stick like coins in the minds of men
A hundred million years from today

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Can you tell me now?
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