

## Deportees

### The Dubliners

The crops are all in and the peaches are rotting  
The oranges are piled in their creosote dumps  
You're flying them back to the Mexico border  
To pay all their money to wade back again

Good-bye to my Juan, good-bye Rosalita  
Adios mis amigos, Jesus y Maria  
You won't have a name when you ride the big air-plane  
All they will call you will be deportees

My father's own father, he waded that river  
They took all the money he made in his life  
My brothers and sisters come working the fruit trees  
And they rode the truck 'til they took down and died

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Some of us are illegal and some are not wanted  
Our work contract's out and we have to move on  
But it's six hundred miles to that Mexican border  
They chase us like outlaws, like rustlers, like thieves

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We died in your hills, we died in your deserts  
We died in your valleys and died on your plains  
We died 'neath your trees and we died in your bushes  
Both sides of the river, we died just the same

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A sky plane caught fire over Los Gatos canyon  
A fireball of lightning, it shook all our hills  
Who were all these friends, all scattered like dry leaves?  
The radio says they are just deportees

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Is this the best way we can grow our big orchards?  
Is this the best way we can grow our good fruit?  
To fall like dry leaves and rot on my topsoil  
And be called by no name except deportees?

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