

**Casey's Last Ride**  
**Johnny Cash**

Intro: **Am**

**Am** **G**  
Casey joins the hollow sound of silent people walking down  
**F** **Em**  
The stairway to the subway and the shadows down below  
**Am** **G**  
Following the footsteps through the neon darkened corridor  
**F** **Em** **Am**  
Of silent desperation, never speaking to a soul

**F** **Am**  
The poison air he s breathing has a dirty smell of dying  
**G** **Em**  
Cause it s never seen the sunshine and it s never felt the

rain  
**Am** **G**  
Casey minds the arrows and ignores the fatal echoes  
**F** **Em**  
Of the clicking of the turnstile and the rattle of the  
**Am**  
chains

**C** **G**  
Oh , she said Casey it s been so long since I ve seen you  
**C**  
Here, she said Just a kiss to make a body smile  
See, she said I ve put on new stockings just to please  
**G**  
you  
**C**  
Lord, she said Casey can you only stay a while

Instrumental:

**Am G C Am**

**Am** **G**  
Casey leaves the underground and stops inside the golden  
crown  
**F** **Em**

For something wet to wipe away the chill that s in his bones

**Am**

**G**

Seeing his reflection in the lives of all the lonely men

**F**

**Em**

**Am**

Who reach for any thing they can to keep from going home

**F**

**Am**

Standing in the corner, Casey drinks his pint of bitter

**G**

**Em**

Never glancing in the mirror at the people passing by

**Am**

**G**

He stumbles as he s leaving and he wonders if the reason

**F**

**Em**

**Am**

Is the beer that s in his bell or the tear that s in his eye

**C**

**G**

Oh , she said I suppose you seldom think about me

**C**

Now , she said, Now that you ve a family of your own

**G**

Still , she said It s so blesses good to feel your body

**C**

Lord , she said Casey it s a shame to be alone

Outro: **Am G C**