

Larry Luvaul - Hobo Joe  
Misc Unsigned Bands

HOBO JOE

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Verse 1

**G**                    **D**                    **C**                    **G**  
Joe tells stories to the children as he waits by the track  
**D**                    **C**                    **G**  
I must leave soon, don t know when I ll be back.  
**D**                    **C**                    **G**    **Em**            **G**  
Kids gather laughing, and calling Joe s name, hey Hobo Joe.  
**D**                    **C**                    **G**  
With a bag on his back and a sign in his hand  
**D**                    **C**                    **G**  
Will work for food, I can clear your land as best as I can.

Verse2

**D**                    **C**                    **G**  
Joe s old friends were many now they ve nearly disappeared.  
**D**                    **C**                    **G**  
Now Joe rides in God s shadow without any fear.  
**D**                    **C**                    **G**  
Depression brings new faces for Joe to remember.  
**D**                    **C**                    **G**  
Frail and weak from age, Joe still laughs and spins his tales,  
**D**                    **C**                    **G**  
How he was saved from a blizzard while riding the rails.

Chorus:

**Em**    **D**                    **C**                    **G**  
Hobo Joe, where will you sleep tonight.  
**Em**    **D**                    **C**                    **G**  
Hobo Joe, where will you eat tonight.  
**Em**            **D**                    **C**                    **G**  
You ride the rails and of your friends weave tales.  
**Am**            **D**                    **C**                    **G**  
Stars in the night are your blankets delight.  
**Em**    **D**    **C**    **G**                    **D**                    **G**  
Hobo Joe, Hobo Joe, where will you go from here.

Verse3

**G**                    **D**                    **C**                    **G**  
No regrets and no worries, Joe s aging eyes can see.  
**D**                    **C**                    **G**  
He was free to go or stay as he pleases.  
**D**                    **C**                    **G**

Now he forgets time and places as his story progresses.

**D**                          **C**                          **G**  
Joe s limo was a chain of rail cars on the Santa-Fe

**D**                          **C**                          **G**  
In a box car of hay, Joe died where he lay.

Verse 4

**D**                          **C**                          **G**  
No one mourns for Joe, they just repeat his tall tales,

**D**                          **C**                          **G**  
As he takes his final ride on the rails.

**D**                          **C**                          **G**  
Kids played hobo, while the steel rails sings Joe s blues.

**D**                          **C**                          **G**  
His hobo friends stand by the track and tip their hat

**D**                          **C**                          **G**  
As Joe s train goes by singing clickety clack.

Chorus:

**Em**          **D**                          **C**                          **G**  
Hobo Joe, where will you sleep tonight.

**Em**          **D**                          **C**                          **G**  
Hobo Joe, where will you eat tonight.

**Em**          **D**                          **C**                          **G**  
You ride the rails and your friends weave tales.

**Am**                          **D**                          **C**                          **G**  
Stars in the night are your blankets delight.

**Em**  **D**  **C**  **G**                          **D**                          **G**  
Hobo Joe, Hobo Joe, where will you go from here.

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