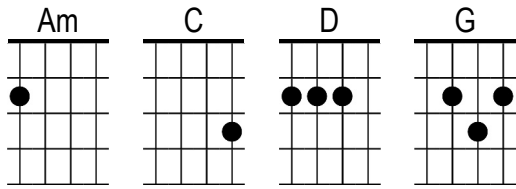
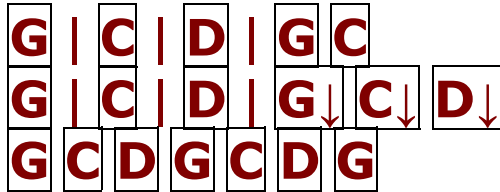


The Mary Ellen Carter

Stan Rogers



Intro



She **G** went down last Oc | tober in a $\frac{1}{2}$ **C** pourin' $\frac{1}{2}$ **D** drivin' **G** rain
The **Am** skipper he'd been | drinkin' and the **C** mate he felt no **D** pain
Too **G** close to Three Mile | Rock and she was **C** dealt her mortal **G** blow
And the **Am** Mary Ellen | Carter settled **D** low |
There was **G** just us five a | board her when she **C** finally was a **G** wash
We **Am** worked like hell to | save her all **C** heedless of the **D** cost
And the **G** groan she gave as | she went down, it **C** caused us to pro **G**claim
That the **Am** Mary Ellen **D** Carter would rise a **G**gain |



Well the **G** owners wrote her | off, not a $\frac{1}{2}$ **C** nickel $\frac{1}{2}$ **D** would they **G** spend
"She gave **Am** twenty years of | service, boys, then **C** met her sorry **D** end
But in **G**surance paid the | loss to us, so **C** let her rest be **G**low"
Then they **Am** laughed at us, and, | said we had to **D** go |
But we **G** talked of her all | winter, some **C** days around the **G** clock
She's **Am** worth a quarter | million, a **C** floatin' at the **D** dock
And with **G** every jar that | hit the bar we **C** swore we would re **G**main
And make the **Am** Mary Ellen **D** Carter rise a **G**gain |

Chorus

Rise a **Am** gain, | rise a **G** gain |
That her **C** name not be | lost to the **G** knowledge of **D** men
All **G** those who loved her | best and were **C**↓ with her **D**↓ 'til the **G**↓ end
Will make the **Am** Mary Ellen **D** Carter, rise a **G** gain |

C **D** **G** | **C** **D**

All **G** spring now we've been | with her on a **1/2C** barge lent **1/2D** by a **G** friend
Three **Am** dives a day in a | hardhat suit, and **C** twice I've had the **D** bends
Thank **G** God it's only | sixty feet, and the **C** currents here are **G** slow
Or I'd **Am** never have the | strength, to go be **D** low |
But we've **G** patched her rents, | stopped her vents, dogged **C** hatch, and
portholes **G** down
Put **Am** cables to her | fore and aft and **C** girded her a **D** round
To **G** tomorrow noon we | hit the air and **C** then take up the **G** strain
And make the **Am** Mary Ellen **D** Carter rise a **G** gain |

Repeat Chorus

Repeat Intro

For we **G** couldn't leave her | there you see to **1/2C** crumble **1/2D** into **G** scale
She'd **Am** saved our lives, | so many times, **C** livin' through the **D** gale
And the **G** laughin', drunken | rats who left her **C** to a sorry **G** grave
They **Am** won't be laughin' | in another **D** day |
And **G** you to whom ad|versity, has **C** dealt the final **G** blow
With **Am** smilin' bastards | lyin' to you **C** everywhere you **D** go
Turn **G** to and put out | all your strength of **C** arm and heart and **G** brain
And like the **Am** Mary Ellen **D** Carter rise a **G** gain |

Rise a **Am** gain, | rise a **G** gain |
 Though your **C** heart, it be | broken, or **G** life about to **D** end
 No **G** matter what you've | lost, be it a **C↓** home, a **D↓** love, a **G↓** friend
 Like the **Am** Mary Ellen **D** Carter rise a **G** gain |

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G | **C** | **D** | **G** **C**
G | **C** | **D** | **G↓** **C↓** **D↓**