God Bless Robert E. Lee

Johnny Cash

When Robert E Lee surrended the Confederacy Jefferson Davis was upset about it He said how dare that man resent an order Form the president of the Confederate States of America Then somebody told him that General Lee had made the decision h imself In order to save lives because he felt that the battle comin' u р Would cost about 20 000 lives on both sides And he said 240 000 dead already is enough So this song is not about the North or the South but about the bloody brother war Brother against brother father against son the war that nobody won And for all those lives that were saved I gotta say God bless R obert E Lee Well the mansion where the General used to live is burning down Cottonfields are blue with Sherman's troups I overheard a yankee say yesterday Nashville fell So I'm on my way to join the fight General Lee might need my he lp But look away look away Dixie I don't want them to see What they're doing to my Dixie God bless Robert E Lee Sherman's troups burned Atlanta and the flames lit up the sky And those of us who survived it are watchin' my Dixie die But today at Appamattox General Lee sat down And surrended to the yankees and Ulysees S Grant So look away look away Dixie... I won't ever stop loving you my Dixie till they put me in the g round And the last words they probably hear from me are God bless Rob ert E Lee