I still can picture him His hands in his back pockets He wasn't much for words But when the wise kids made a racket He just had to go downtown Throw his weight around for starting over "Say did you hear I've got a band?" Some guys I know from LA Put on Rio Grande I'll pay you back next Friday You know it sure ain't big Just some cats I dig They said; "They'd do the gig" Oh Desperado Why don't you spend your life in Colorado? Oh restless shadow Out in the blue hills You're feeling hollow Oh El Diablo Why did you spend your life in California? I should have warned ya No place to go now but falling over Some guys can't make it on the run Under the gun Not for the younger Oh Jack Daniels I feel your hunger I know you did your best But you thought that you did not I wish that I had known Before I heard the last shot You know it's not a sin That little badge of tin Just a momento So sad your love remained My comrades lost in battle The music was a din from London to Seattle We all made you play and all our yesterdays Are starting over Oh Desperado Why don't you spend your life in Colorado? Oh restless shadow Out in the blue hills You're feeling hollow Oh, El Diablo Why did you spend your life in California? I should have warned ya No place to go now but falling over