

## James (Hold The Ladder Steady)

Sue Thompson

(peak Billboard position # 17 in 1962)

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James, James hold the ladder steady

James, James I'm packed tonight I'm ready

James, James hold the ladder steady

I'm a'comin' down to your ar-ar-ar-rms

I'm a'comin' down to your arms.

Now James and I we went to mama and showed her my diamond ring

She said "my poor little baby, you must be crazy, to think of such a

thing"

So James, James hold the ladder steady

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I'm a'comin' down to your ar-ar-ar-rms

I'm a'comin' down to your arms.

Now James and I we went to daddy and said that we want to be wed

Daddy said "nope, you'll just have to elope" and laughed as he went to

bed

But James, James hold the ladder steady

James, James I'm packed tonight I'm ready

James, James hold the ladder steady

I'm a'comin' down to your ar-ar-ar-rms

I'm a'comin' down to your arms.

I'd hate to see 'em in the morning when they both completely flipped

He'll be sayin' "they cain't", she'll be feeling faint

And I'll be kissing my husband's lips

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