

# Big River

Johnny Cash 1958

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Now I **[D]** taught the weepin' willow how to cry **[D]**  
And I **[D]** showed the clouds how to cover up a **[E7]** clear blue **[A7]** sky  
And the **[D]** tears that I cried for that woman, are gonna **[G]** flood you Big River  
And **[D]** I'm gonna sit right **[A7]** here until I **[D]** die **[D]**

I **[D]** met her accidentally in St. Paul, Minnesota  
And it **[D]** tore me up every time I heard her **[E7]** drawl, southern **[A7]** drawl  
Then I **[D]** heard my dream went back downstream, ca-**[G]**vortin' in Davenport  
And I **[D]** followed you Big **[A7]** River when you **[D]** called **[D]**

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Then you **[D]** took me to St. Louis, later on, down the river  
A **[D]** freighter said she's been here but she's **[E7]** gone, boy she's **[A7]** gone  
I **[D]** found her trail in Memphis but she **[G]** just walked up the bluff  
She raised a **[D]** few eyebrows and then she **[A7]** went on down a-**[D]**lone **[D]**

Now won't you **[D]** bat it down by Baton Rouge, River Queen, roll it on  
**[D]** Take that woman on down to New Or-**[E7]**leans, New Or-**[A7]**leans  
Go **[D]** on I've had enough, dump my **[G]** blues down in the gulf  
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