

# Nine Pound Hammer

# Traditional Song

## Verse

A
D  
 This nine pound hammer, it's a little too heavy  
E
A  
 For my size, buddy for my size

## Chorus

**A** **D**  
Roll on buddy, don't you roll so slow  
**E** **A**  
How can I roll, when the wheels won't roll

I'm going up the mountain, just to see my baby  
And I ain't coming back, no I ain't coming back

## Chorus

There ain't one hammer, down in this tunnel  
That can ring like mine, that can ring like mine

### Alternate Chorus (just this once)

Rings like silver, shines like gold  
Rings like silver, shines like gold

This old hammer, it killed John Henry  
But it won't kill me, no it won't kill me

### **Chorus**

It's a long way to Harlan, and a long way to Hazard  
Just to get a little brew, just to get a little brew

### **Chorus**

Buddy when I'm gone, won't you make my tombstone  
Out of number nine coal, out of number nine coal

### **Chorus**