

THE BALLAD
OF
DAVY CROCKETT



as sung
by

Burl Ives

I

Born on a mountain top in
Tennessee.

The greenest state in the
Land of the Free.

Raised in the woods so
he knew every tree,

He killed himself a b'ar
when he was only three.

"Davy, Davy, Crockett,
King of the Wild Frontier"

II

Off through the woods he
went marchin' along,

Makin' up yarns and singin a
song.

Itchin' for fightin' always
rightin' a wrong

He was rangy as a bear
and twice as strong

"Davy, Davy Crockett,
King of the Wild Frontier"

III

Fought single-handed through
the Indian War.
Till the tribes went West
and peace was in store.
The rest of his life he took
the stand,
That justice was due the
red-skinned man.

"Davy, Davy Crockett,
King of the Wild Frontier"

IV

He went off to Congress and
served a spell
Fixing up the government and
laws as well.
Took over Washington so we
heard tell
And patched up the crack
in the Liberty Bell.

"Davy, Davy Crockett,
King of the Wild Frontier"

V

He heard of Houston and
Austin and so
To the Texas plain he just
had to go

There ~~land~~ was free and
room to grow —

And he fought and died
at the Alamo —



Davy, Davy Crockett
King of the Wild Frontier

VI

Davy's land is biggest
Davy's land is best,
From grassy plain to the
mountain crest

He's ahead of us all meeting
the test

Following his legend into
the West!

Chorus