

MUSIC

Cape Breton's Diversity in Unity

Remember The Miner

Words and music by Leon Dubinsky
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1. We are the soul of one William Davis;
He gave us his life, now he lies in his grave.
He threw off the chains that held him in bondage;
He said, "I'm a man, and I won't be your slave!"

Chorus:

Remember the miner; have a thought for the one
Who's working the backshift while a song's being sung.
His blood keeps you warm and it burns like the sun.

2. He shines with a light
And he shines like the sun
When the day is the night
And the union is one.

3. We are the soul of one William Davis;
He gave us life, now he is gone.
The strike is for keeps and Bill Davis sleeps,
And the men of the deeps carry on.

Chorus:

Remember the miner; have a thought for the one
Who's working the backshift while a song's being sung.
His blood keeps you warm and it burns like the sun.

Recording:

[Remember The Miner](#). Performers unknown. John C. O'Donnell Tape Collection. Beaton Institute, Cape Breton University.