

# Manowar, Dark Avenger

(R. Friedman/J. DeMaio)

He broke the laws of the elders  
So they blocked out his eye,  
Took his land and fortune,  
Left him to die

Bound on the shoreline,  
Left for the tide,  
Seizes life, blood leaving...  
Circling lower, the vultures fly

His bones may be broken  
But the spirit can't die  
And the Gods see his anguish  
And give him a sign

From the floor of the ocean  
The ship of the lost souls rise  
And they take him where no one sleeps while the undead cry,  
Where no one sleeps while the undead cry...

And in the world above  
The elders sing,  
On his land they live...  
Let death bell ring

[Narration:]  
He was met at the gate of Hades  
By the Guardian of the Lost Souls,  
The Keeper of the Unavenged  
And He did say to him:  
"Let you not pass  
Abandon  
Return to the world  
From once you came  
And seek payment  
Not only for thy known anguish  
But vindicate the souls  
Of the Unavenged";

And they placed in his hands  
A sword  
Made for him  
Called: Vengeance  
Forged in brimstone  
And tempered  
By the Wolf in tears of the Unavenged

And to carry him up on his journey  
Back to the upper world  
They brought forth  
Their Demon horse  
Called: Black Death  
A grim steed  
So fiercely might  
And black in colour  
That he could stand as one: Darkness...  
Save from his burning eyes  
of grims and fire

And on that night  
They rode up from Hell  
The pounding of his hooves

Did clap like thunder !

[Chorus:]

Burning, death, destruction  
Raping the daughters and wives  
In blood I take my payment  
In foul with their lives

No one can escape me  
On Black Death I ride  
When kissed by the sword of Vengeance  
Your head lays there by your side  
I take the lives of all that I once knew  
The torn flesh of a slow death waits for you

[Chorus:]

Burning, death, destruction  
Raping the daughters and wives  
In blood I take my payment  
In foul with their lives

I spare that land of servants  
My wake is slow dead there  
I take their wives and daughters  
They stand there watching, watching  
Hoping to get my life  
But when I'm through they know they must pay

[Chorus:]

Burning, death, destruction  
Raping the daughters and wives  
In blood I take my payment  
In foul with they lives  
With they lives  
With they lives  
With they lives