

Mercyful Fate, The Old Oak

(Music by Hank Shermann Lyrics by King Diamond)

Do you remember the bridge?
The bridge that was standing in ruin
Do you remember the sign?
Demons and witches were doing

They say it's a bad place
They say it's a magic place

Deep down under
The soil of this unholy land
Deep down under
The roots of a tree they have damned

It's the Old Oak Hanging Tree
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Solo: Shermann

Nothing will grow in the ground
The Old Oak is killing it all
If you are ever around
Beware of the Oak and its charm

It's the Old Oak Hanging Tree
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The Old Oak might make you blind
The Old Oak might trick your eyes
Hypnotized.....

It's a bad sign
When the Autumn comes and the leaves
are gone
Oh it's a bad sign
The Oak must feed in order to breed
Bad sign..... Bad sign
It's a bad sign when the Autumn comes
And the leaves are gone
It's a nightmare found
I wonder... what made this magic tree so

Solo: Shermann
Solo: Denner

Hang with me, hang with the hangman
Another season in another century
Hang with me, hang with the hangman
Blood from the madmen we hung in that
tree
Blood to the ground
Blood to the roots.... Red

All around the Old Oak
Deep into the ground they buried them
Indians of ancient times
Saw it as a holy shrine

Can you believe, sacrificing their own

Must have been a mighty GOD
To receive a gift of life

All the people must have known
Happiness would come if sown

Can you believe, sacrificing their own

Solo: Denner

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Solo: Shermann

No! Don't hang with me
As I go back to the Old Oak tree