



04 - VIVA LA QUINCE BRIGADA

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(Christy Moore)

Vorspiel: a/G/F/a/G/F/

C **G** **C** **F**
Ten years before I saw the light of morning, a comradeship of heroes was laid.

G **G7** **C**
From every corner of the world came sailing the Fifteenth International Brigade.

G **C** **F**
They came to stand beside the Spanish people, to try and stem the rising Fascist tide.

G **G7** **C**
Franco's allies where the powerful and wealthy, Frank Ryan's men came from the other side.

Even the olives were bleeding as the battle for Madrid it thundered on.
Truth and love against the force of evil, brotherhood against the fascist clan. **C7**

F
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G **C**
"No pasaran !" the pledge that made them fight.

em **am**
"Adelante !" was the cry around the hillside.

F **G** **C**
Let us all remember them tonight.

Bob Hillard was a church of Ireland pastor, from Killarney to the Pyrenees he came,
From Derry came a brave young Christian Brother, side by side they fought and died in Spain.

Tommy Woods, aged seventeen, died in Cordoba, with "Na Fianna" he learned to hold his gun.
From Dublin to the Via del Rio where he fought and died beneath the Spanish sun

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Many Irishmen heard the call of Franco, joined Hitler and Mussolini, too
Propaganda from the pulpit and newspapers helped O'Duffy to enlist his crew.

The word came from Maynooth: "Support the Fascists !" The men of cloth failed yet again
When the bishops blessed the blueshirts in Dun Laoghaire as they sailed beneath the swastika to Spain

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This song is a tribute to Frank Ryan, Kit Conway and Dinny Coady, too
Peter Daly, Charlie Regan and Hugh Bonar, though many died I can but name a few

Danny Doyle, Blaser-Brown and Charlie Donnelly, Liam Tumilson and Jim Straney from the Falls
Jack Nalty, Tommy Patton and Frank Conroy, Jim Foley, Tony Fox and Dick O'Neill.

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