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Panama Express

ASHLEY JEMMOTT

Luck favours the bold,
And grandfather was as bold as they get.
He sat at the door smoking,
Smoking that old pipe,
Puff.
Puff.
Puff.
I had seen him do it countless times.
He made it look easy,
And he made leaving look easy too.
He left with his hat and pipe at the
Toot!
Toot!
Toot!
Of an old red truck.
Leaving was easy but coming back,
Coming back was the hardest thing.
I never saw grandfather smoke again,
His arm gone and his shirt sleeve
Swaying,
Swaying,
Swaying,
In the wind.

