

# The Weight of the Badge

George Strait

[Verse 1]

It's gonna be a long one, another grave yard shift  
As he says goodbye to his wife and kids  
He spends his life just like his dad's  
Driving away under the weight of the badge

[Verse 2]

He's seen it all in his fifteen years  
Watchin' our backs, facing our fears  
Lord knows it ain't no easy task  
Keeping us safe under the weight of the badge

[Verse 3]

He swore that oath to protect and serve  
Pours his heart and soul into both those words  
Lays his life on the line  
And the line he walks is razor-fine  
Tempered strength is always tough  
But he ain't gonna buckle under the weight of the badge

[Verse 4]

Not that long ago, he woke up in the hospital  
With his wife and kids praying by his bed  
He said, "I'm gonna be alright  
There's just some times you gotta fight"  
And the truth is, nothing truer could be said  
I do it for us and I do it for them  
And I ain't gonna buckle under the weight of the badge

[Verse 5]

It doesn't weigh a lot until you put it on  
And the weight of it is staggering  
Then duty calls each time  
He knows he's gotta answer  
And it's all in the hand of  
The heavy weight of the badge  
And he ain't gonna buckle  
Under the weight of the badge  
No, he ain't gonna buckle

Under the weight of the badge

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