

Challenger

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Have you ever wondered 'bout going to space?
No, we let it slip through our mind.
Can you teach us, please share your experience,
your ambition has brightened our lives.

It's a sad sad feeling to know someone, who will be in the back of our minds.
He came into our lives and taught us. He's a hero, so wonderful and kind.

*****CHORUS*****

I know I'll always remember the day that I shook his hand.

His smile made me want to say...Onizuka, you're a gentle honorable man.

Remember when he came how we sat so still...a movie star he was in our eyes.
He showed us things that we've never seen before,
like the moon and the stars in the sky.

To the first star sailor from Kona and a man we all knew
came a sad sad ending it seems...but his love, family name, and his humbleness,
is a memory that will always inspire our dream.

