You'll Never Walk Alone

As played by Ted Greene at Joey Backenstoe's wedding, March 4th 1989
Transcribed by Robert G. Smith, Dec 24th 2019
Tune down guitar 1 ½ steps

This is a transcription of the tune "You'll Never Walk Alone" from the Joey Backenstoe's Wedding recording, available on the TedGreene.com site. Like the "California Vintage Guitar Seminar" version from May 18th, 2003, it starts out in the key of C#, then modulates, in this case to the key of F.

If you study both versions of this tune you can easily see the similarities and variations on the chord voicings that Ted uses across both versions. I find there is definitely a common approach to both these arrangements, as distinct as they might be.

Written originally by Rodgers and Hammerstein, this is such a beautiful and inspirational tune, and it appears to have been a staple in Ted's repertoire given the many versions he has left us – for more info, see my other write-up for the CVG seminar version.

As a matter of trivia – the Liverpudlian British Beat band "Gerry and the Pacemakers" contributed greatly to popularizing this tune in the 60s. Inspired by homegrown Gerry Marsden's version of this song, this tune was adopted in 1965 as the anthem and motto for the Liverpool professional football (soccer) club. The song title adorns the Liverpool Anfield stadium entrance gate, and the song is sung at each match still today!

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