GRANDPA WAS A CARPENTER
By John Prine

Tune starts on the 5th

Oh, [G] grandpa wore his suit to dinner
Nearly every [C] day
No particular [G] reason,
He just dressed that [D] way
[G] Brown necktie and a matching vest
Both his wingtip [C] shoes
Built a closet on [G] our back porch,
Put a [D] penny in a burned-out [G] fuse

{Chorus}
Oh, [C] Grandpa was a carpenter,
He built houses, stores and [G] banks
[C] Chain-smoked Camel [G] cigarettes
And hammered nails in [D] planks
He was [G] level on the level,
Shaved even a-every [C] door
Voted for Eisen [G] hower,
'Cause [D] Lincoln won the [G] war

Well, he [G] used to sing me "Blood on the Saddle"
And rock me on his [C] knee
Let me listen to the [G] radio
Before we got T [D] V
Well, he'd [G] drive to church on Sunday
And he'd take me with him [C] too
Stained glass in every [G] window,
Hearing [D] aids in every [G] pew

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Well, [G] Grandma was a teacher,
Went to school in Bowling [C] Green
Traded in her [G] milking cow for a
Singer sewing ma[D]chine
She [G] called her husband "Mister,"
And she walked real tall and [C] proud
Used to buy me [G]comic books
[D] after grandpa [G] died

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{Outro}
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