

## **Charlie Daniels**

# **"Carolina (I Remember You)"**

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The first things I remember are frosty Carolina  
mornings  
With a cheery fire crackling in my momma's big black  
wood cook stove  
I remember snow flakes as big as goose feathers  
And the moon the color of new made country butter  
And a night sky like diamonds against black velvet  
Reaching from horizon to horizon

I remember when the biggest problems in my barefoot  
life  
Were sand spurs and red ant hills  
I remember sitting with my grand daddy on the front  
porch  
And watching the last of that magnificent southern sun  
Bleed away into the twilight sky

I remember Sunday school and kneeling at the cross  
And trying to imagine what God looked like  
Sunday dinner short pants hair cuts and a little puppy  
My daddy brought home to me and I remember love

I remember steam puffing fire breathing awesome 10  
wheel locomotives  
And the conductors watch looked  
As big as one of my grand mothers biscuits  
I remember my mother smiling in a red and white  
cherckered dress  
And Christmas always seemed so far away  
Yes I remember you Carolina grand old lady if the  
south  
I remember you as home

One of the memories that stays on my mind  
About an old southern lady that I left behind  
Is a ramshackle bridge where the deep river winds  
And an old two-lane blacktop through the tall long-leaf  
pines

Carolina, Carolina  
You're hard, but you're hard to forget

I still remember the magnolia nights  
And goosefeather snow flakes in the gray morning  
light  
Sandspurs and puppies and red autumn leaves  
And the warm lights in the clear night on a cold  
Christmas Eve

Carolina, Carolina  
You're hard, but you're hard to forget

Carolina I knew you  
Before the highways got to you  
And I loved you as one of your own  
And I still do

Carolina, Carolina  
You're hard, but you're hard to forget  
You're hard to forget

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