

Buck Owens

"Fishin' On The Mississippi"

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And the water's too muddy to drink
Big catfish bitin' on the little pole
And my baby's waitin' on the bank

Well, you tried to make a livin' on the Mississippi River
It's a mighty hard life to live
But I'm gonna build a house for my pretty little baby
And I'm gonna build it on the hill.

Well, maybe if I'm lucky I'll catch a catfish
And I'll sell 'em for a dollar bill
Then I'm gonna buy another board and a pocketful of
nails
For my little house on the hill.

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--- Instrumental ---

My pappy told me there's sure gonna be
A lotta hard times a comin' around
But I'd rather go a fishin' on the Mississippi River
Than livin' in a cold, cold ground.

Well, I can't make whiskey like all the others
Oh, my baby would set me free
I have to go runnin' down Mississippi River
When the law come callin' on me.

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