

## **Jimmy Dean**

### **"This Old House"**

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This ole house once knew my children  
This ole house once knew my wife  
This ole house was home and comfort  
As we fought the storms of life.

This ole house once rang with laughter  
This ole house heard many a shout  
Now she trembles in the darkness  
When the lightnin' walks about.

I ain't gonna need this house no longer  
Ain't a gonna need this house no more  
Ain't got time to fix his shingles  
Ain't got time to fix the door.

Ain't got time to oil the hinges  
Nor to mind the window panes  
I ain't gonna need this house no longer  
I'm gettin' ready to meet the saints.

This ole house is a gettin' shaky  
This ole house is a gettin' old  
This ole house stands in the rain  
This ole house stands in the cold.

Oh, my knees are gettin' chilly  
But I feel no fear or pain  
'Cause I see an angel a peekin'  
Through a broken window pane.

This ole house is afraid of thunder  
This ole house is afraid of storms  
This ole house just groans and trembles  
When the night wind flings his arms.

This ole house is a gettin' feeble  
This ole house is a needin' paint  
Just like me it's tuckered out  
But I'm gonna get ready to meet the saints.

Now my hound dog lies a-sleepin'

He don't know I'm gonna leave  
Else he'd wake up by the fireplace  
And he'd set there and howl and grieve.

But my huntin' days are over  
Ain't gonna hunt the coon no more  
Gabriel done brought in my chariot  
When the wind blew down the door....

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