

## Joe Nichols

### "We Shook Hands Man To Man"

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I always noticed they didnt get along,  
I thought that was just the way it was, nothin really  
wrong.  
I came home from school one day and my dad took me  
a side  
I've never seen him cry before it tore me up inside  
and he said son we need to have a lil man to man  
Your old enough now to understand,  
inspite of all our dreams and the best of plans  
your mom and i dont see eye to eye.  
She thinks its best for her to go  
Wi'll have to get along without her how i dont know  
He said boy i'll need ur help  
and then we shook hands man to man.

Lord knows those next few years were rough  
A test of will's it was hard on both of us  
I turned 18 and i wouldnt listen to easy  
he wanted what was best for me  
I just wanted freedom

And i said dad, we need to have a little man to man  
I'll always love you  
and i hope u understand,  
inspite of all ur dreams for me and the best of plans  
you and I dont see eye to eye  
I think its time for me to go  
U'll get along without me, i no  
and before i left i tried to shake his hand  
Man to man

I remember the night i sat there watchin him fade  
and i'll always be thankful for the peace we made  
and he said son we need to have a lil man to man  
I've always love you and i need u understand  
Im glad you lived your dreams and made your own  
plans  
and i hope u always knew how proud i was of you  
Looks like its time for me to go  
You'll get along without me, i know  
and then i kissed his cheek and we held hands

man to man  
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