

John Denver "I'd Rather Be A Cowboy"

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Jessie went away last summer
a couple of months ago
after all our time together
it was hard to see her go
She called me right up when she arrived
asked me one more time to come
A living on a L.A. freeway
ain't my kind of having fun

I think I'd rather be a cowboy
I think I'd rather ride the range
I think I'd rather be a cowboy
Than to lay me down in love
and lady's chains.

When we were just beginning
it was such an easy way
Layin' back up in the mountains
singin' songs for sunny days
She got tired of pickin' daisies
and cooking my meals for me
she can live the life she wants to,
yes, it's all right with me

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I'd rather live on the side of the mountains
than wander through canyons of concrete and steel
I'd rather laugh with the rain and the sunshine
and lay down my sundown in some starry field

Oh, but I miss her in the mornin'
when I awake alone
the absence of her laughter
it's a cold and empty sound
But her memory always makes me smile
and I want you to know
I love her, yes, I love her

just enough to let her go

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