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"Dad's Yard"

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It's got an old chair that's got no seat
Cracked snowshoes and warped wooden skis
Hardcover books, pages all turned brown
Dad has a reason for everything he keeps around
So if you need something when times get hard
You can probably find it in my dad's yard
And if you need hope, if you're coming apart
You can surely find it in my dad's heart.
You never really know just what might be in store
If you go in the barn and open the boxes on the second
floor
'Cause underneath the paper crumpled up in balls
You might find a gem or you might find nothing at all
And that's the fun of it, it's that mystery
And all these things burying other people's history
You can look at this stuff and wonder where it's been
Or you can pick it up and you can use it again
So if you need something when times get hard
You can probably find it in my dad's yard
And if you need hope, if you're coming apart
You can surely find it in my dad's heart.
He can see the beauty beneath the dust and the grime
He can see potential where the rest of us are blind
He will polish the grey until it shines clear blue
And if you know my dad, well, he won't give up on you
So if you need something when times get hard
You can probably find it in my dad's yard
And if you need love, if you're coming apart
You can surely find it in my dad's heart

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