Mattea Kathy "The Cape"

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(Guy Clark/Susanna Clark/Jim Janosky)

Eight years old with a floursack cape

Tied all around his neck

He climbed up on the garage

He's figurin' what the heck

Well, he screwed up his courage up so tight

That the whole thing come unwound

He got a runnin' start and bless his heart

He's headed for the ground

Well (yes) he's one of those who knows that life

Is just a leap of faith

Spread your arms and hold your breath

And always trust your cape

Now he's all grown up with a floursack cape

Tied all around his dreams

And he's full of spit and vinegar

And he's bustin' at the seams

Well, he licked his finger and he checked the wind

It's gonna be do or die

He wasn't scared of nothin' boys

He was pretty sure he could fly

Well (yes) he's one of those who knows that life

Is just a leap of faith

Spread your arms and hold your breath

And always trust your cape

Now he's old and gray with a floursack cape

Tied all around his head

He's still jumpin' off the garage

And will be till he's dead

All these years the people said

He was actin' like a kid

He did not know he could not fly

So he did

Well (yes) he's one of those who knows that life

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