

## **Nitty Gritty Dirt Band**

### **"Old Upright Piano"**

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For as long as I remember, when friday night came  
round

The family would gather out at grandpa's house.

With supper over and the dishes done

It was then the best time came

At an old upright piano that only grandma played.

She played beautiful dreamer, my wild irish rose;

She never played 'em perfect, but there was love in  
every note.

Grandpa sat beside her, in harmony they sang,

At the old upright piano that only grandma played.

Grandpa was a stubborn man, they said it was his style.

Grandma called him ornery, but she said it with a  
smile.

Even he could not disguise the love he felt so strong;

We all could see it in his eyes when she played his  
favorite song.

She played beautiful dreamer, my wild irish rose;

She never played 'em perfect, but there was love in  
every note.

Grandpa sat beside her, in harmony they sang,

At the old upright piano that only grandma played.

I was almost 17 when my grandma died;

I stayed all night with grandpa; the old man never  
cried.

He sat at her piano, there was nothing we could say

It was the first time in my life I ever heard my grandpa  
play.

It wasn't beautiful dreamer or my wild irish rose

It was a song he played from memory & he never  
missed a note

I sat right there beside him until the morning came

What a friend we have in jesus was the only song he  
played.

She played beautiful dreamer, my wild irish rose;

She never played 'em perfect, but there was love in

every note.

Grandpa sat beside her, in harmony they sang,

At the old upright piano that only grandma played.

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