

## Rachel Platten

### "If That Chair Could Talk"

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Imitation leather, Pink Naugahyde  
Two Inch tear down the left-hand side  
Came from my daddy's pocket knife, that wasn't my  
fault  
Moved along with us everywhere we went  
No matter where we lived it always fit it  
Kinda like our next of kin, if that chair could talk

My little brother, Billy, broke his left hand  
Jumpin' off the arm like superman  
With my grandma's old red afghan tied around his  
neck  
It's where at least a thousand books were read,  
Our siamese cat made it her bed  
It even heard an 'I thee wed'  
When sister married in the living room,  
To that Phillips boy from just down the block  
If that chair could talk

Mama bought it in a yard sale in '65  
It was daddy's favorite chair after he retired  
Survived all of that and a kitched fire  
Smoke stains wiped right off  
Where I spent a million hours talking on the phone  
It was my favorite place to polish my toes  
Something Mama didn't know, if that chair could talk

From Leave it to Beaver to the Brady Bunch  
Chicken Noodle Soup and Captain Crunch  
TV Dinners to Sunday lunch, and movies late at night  
Brother tippin' me backwards until I screamed  
He'd get in trouble for bein' so mean  
And when he told Mama that he'd joined the Marine  
It's where she sat down in shock  
The good, the bad, it's seen it all  
If that chair could talk

It caught my tears,  
Held me up when I felt bad.  
It calmed my fears,  
It's good to keep a friend like that.

It hid the ice cream money for hot summer days  
It listened while I practiced for my high school play  
And all the times it heard me pray when things were  
goin' rough  
And it's where Bobby Baker gave me my first kiss  
Mama came in and nearly had a fit  
There's footprints of my life all over it  
We've been through a lot  
The good, the bad, it's seen it all  
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