

Patty Loveless

"The Grandpa That I Know"

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Brand new shoes, they hurt my feet
This lace collar's chokin' me
Cuttin' off my air supply
When I hang my head to cry
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I see tears on daddy's face
Someone's hummin', "Amazing Grace"
Rain beats on this graveside tier
Preacher says he did repent
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They've got him layin' there in pin stripes
How'd they get him in that suit?
I guess the Lord will recognize him
Without his overalls and mule

And they all say he looks so natural
But all I see's a cold dark hole
I won't commit this day to memory
That ain't the Grandpa that I know
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Tractor never pulled his plough
He walked and cursed and loved that ground
His hand sowed each and every seed
And he'd pray for rain and fight the weeds
He'd pray for rain and fight the weeds

He said, "This simple life, it suits me fine"
Never dreamed beyond the county line
Grandma was his boyhood bride
He'll be there in her arms tonight
He'll sleep there in her arms tonight

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They played a pretty organ number
Swore it was his favorite tune
But I know he preferred a fiddle
Playin' Carroll County Blues

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