

## **Ricky Skaggs**

# **"Rank Stranger"**

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I wandered again to my home in the mountains  
Where in youth's early dawn I was happy and free  
I looked for my friends, but I never could find them  
I found they were all rank strangers to me

Everybody I met (everybody I met)  
Seemed to be a rank stranger (seemed to be a rank  
stranger)  
No mother nor dad (no mother or dad)  
Not a friend could I see (not a friend could I see)  
They knew not my name (they knew not my name)  
And I knew not their faces (and I knew not their faces)  
I found they were all (I found they were all)  
Rank strangers to me (rank strangers to me)

"They've all moved away," said the voice of a stranger  
"To a beautiful land by the bright crystal sea"  
Some beautiful day I'll meet 'em in heaven  
Where no one will be a stranger to me

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