

## **Ricky Skaggs**

# **"This Old House"**

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This old house once knew my children  
This old house once knew my wife  
This old house was home and comfort  
As we fought the storms of life

This old house once rang with laughter  
This old house knew many shouts  
Now it trembles in the darkness  
When the lightning walks about

Ain't gonna need this house no longer  
Ain't gonna need this house no more  
Ain't got time to fix the shingles  
Ain't got time to fix the floor

Ain't got time to oil the hinges  
Nor to mend the window pane  
Ain't gonna need this house no longer  
I'm getting ready to meet the saints

This old house is getting shaky  
This old house is getting old  
This old house lets in the rain and  
This old house lets in the cold

My old knees are getting chilly  
But I feel no fear or pain  
'Cause I see an angel peeping through  
The broken window pane

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This old house is afraid of thunder  
This old house is afraid of storms

This old house just groans and trembles  
As the lightning flings its arms

This old house is getting feeble  
And it needs a coat of paint  
Just like me it's turtled out  
I'm getting ready to meet the saints

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