

## Shemekia Copeland

### "Beat Up Guitar"

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In a bar down in Texas  
in a poor part of town  
Sat an old man playin' the blues  
played em' dirty and low-down  
Just trying to make a living  
but you know it cant go far  
Playing them old blues  
Playing them old blues  
Playing them old blues  
On a beat up, beat up old guitar

But he holds it like a woman  
holds it close to his chest  
Runs his hands across the body  
with a soft, soft carress  
Though he never made much money  
when he passed around the jar  
He could really play the blues  
really play the blues  
really play the blues  
On a beat up, beat up old guitar

The body was all scratched up  
the neck a beat up thing  
but when that man started pickin'  
he could make the guitar sing  
Though it never made him famous  
he never was a star  
but he could really play the blues  
really play the blues  
really play the blues  
On a beat up, beat up old guitar

One day that guitar just broke down  
you know the old man, he broke down too  
This mean ol' lifes gonna get you  
no matter what you do  
but if your ever down in Texas  
and you listen really hard  
You'll hear an old man playin' the blues  
old man playin' the blues

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