

**Goodman Steve****"You Never Even Call Me By My Name"**

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"You Never Even Call Me By My Name"

a.p.b. David Allan Coe

Well it was all that I could do

To keep from cryin'

Sometimes it seems so useless to remain

But you don't have to call me "darlin'," darlin.

You never even call me by my name

You don't have to call me Waylon Jennings

And you don't have to call me Charlie Pride.

And you don't have to call me Merle Haggard,  
anymore.

Even though you're on my fightin' side.

CHORUS:

And I'll hang around as long as you will let me

I never minded standin' in the rain.

You don't have to call me "darlin'," darlin.

You never even call me by name

(optional third verse)

I've seen my name a few times in your phonebook

And I've seen it on signs where I play.

But the only time I know

I'll hear "David Allan Coe"

Is when Jesus has his final judgement day

CHORUS

(spoken by D.A.C.)

Well a friend of mine named Steve Goodman wrote  
that song, and he

told me it was the perfect country and western song.  
Well, I

wrote 'im back a letter and told him it was not the  
perfect

country and western song 'cause he hadn't said  
anything at all

about mama or trains or trucks or prison or gettin'  
drunk. Well,

he sat down and wrote another verse to this song and  
he sent it

to me and after readin' it I realized that my friend had  
written

the perfect country and western song. I felt obliged to  
include

it on this album. The last verse goes like this here:

Well I was drunk the day my mama got outta prison

And I went to pick 'er up in the rain

But before I could get to the station in my pickup..truck,

She got runned over by a damned old train.

REPEAT CHORUS

Well, I guess that just about all there is to it. I hope

y'all enjoy it and that you catch yourself singin' along  
while

you read it.

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