

## Hampton R W

### "Born To Be A Cowboy"

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Another good R.W. Hampton song.

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(C)The painted walls of Palo (C7) Duro  
How my (F) heart can see them yet  
As a (C) boy of eighteen summers  
Long (G) before I knew regret  
There (C) I rode the bold (C7) unwilling  
And my (F) loop was keen and true  
And even (C) in the dead of winter  
(G) The sky seemed always (C) blue

(C) And its been (F) Saddle horse and (G)catch twine  
(F) That has been my (C) life  
Some say its been my downfall  
That the (F) world has passed me (G) by  
The (F) life I live I (G) freely chose  
(F) I'm at yet (C) tonight  
I was (F) born to be a (C) cowboy  
And I (G) will be 'til I (C) die

(C) In the heat of summer (C7) branding  
We'd (F) get an early start  
And as (C) we reached the pen of horses  
We'd (G) saddle in the dark  
Then (C) we'd ride out on the (C7) morning  
(F) Without a spoken word  
The (C) ring of spur and the fall of hoof was  
(G) All that could be (C) heard

Chorus;

(C) I first layed eyes on Darcy (C7) Taylor  
At (F) the cowboy christmas ball  
The (C) daughter of a preacher  
And the (G) fairest of them all  
But (C) I knew I could never have (C7) her  
Though (F) I loved her just the same  
And I (C) still get that old time feeling  
(G) When I hear her (C) name

Chorus;

(C) Photographs and trophy (C7) buckles  
The things (F) you hold with pride  
When eyes (C) grow dim, won't mean as much  
As (G) what you've got inside  
But (C) I've got a lot of (C7) memories  
To me (F) means more to me than gold  
And I (C) can say I'm ready lord  
(G) Any time its time to (C) go

Chorus;

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