# Don’t Forget The Coffee, Billy Joe

Tom T. Hall 1973

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It **[G]** snowed the night be-**[C]**fore and it had **[G]** frozen on the ground

**[G]** We didn't have a **[C]** car and we lived **[G]** seven miles from **[D]** town

**[C]** And I can hear my daddy's voice so **[G]** many years a-**[C]**go

Sayin' **[G]** "Don't forget the **[C]** coffee, Billy **[G]** Joe" **[G]**

**CHORUS:**

**[D]** "Mama needs her medicine, she's **[C]** got that real bad **[G]** cough

We'll **[D]** get our check on Monday, tell ol' **[C]** Sam we'll pay him **[G]** off

**[G]** And you can catch a **[C]** ride, when you get **[G]** to the black-top **[C]** road

**[G]** Don't forget the **[C]** coffee, Billy **[G]** Joe" **[G]**

**[G]** Me and Quentin **[C]** went back on the **[G]** hill and we cut some wood

**[G]** Burnin' in that **[C]** ol' warm mornin' **[G]** stove, it sure smelled **[D]** good

**[C]** My daddy couldn't get work then and **[G]** I was just a **[C]** child

And **[G]** God was on va-**[C]**cation for a-**[G]**while **[G]**

**CHORUS:**

"Well, if **[D]** you see Fred, you tell him I'll come **[C]** help him kill them **[G]** hogs

**[D]** And ask him if he'd still be inter-**[C]**ested in my **[G]** dogs

**[G]** Don't hang around that **[C]** pool room all day **[G]** we might get more **[C]** snow

**[G]** And don't forget the **[C]** coffee, Billy **[G]** Joe" **[G]**

Well, they **[G]** wonder why there **[C]** ain't no rabbits **[G]** left this day and time

To **[G]** tell the truth, I **[C]** guess we ate 'em **[G]** all in forty-**[D]**nine

Was that **[C]** yesterday or was it over **[G]** twenty years a-**[C]**go

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**[G]** Don't forget the **[C]** coffee, Billy **[G]** Joe,now pay attention **[G]** son

**[G]** Don't forget the **[C]** coffee, Billy **[G]** Joe” **[G]↓ [D]↓ [G]↓**

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