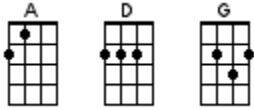


Van Lear Rose

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[D] One of my fondest memories
Was [G] sittin' on my daddy's knee
[D] Listenin' to the stories that he told [D]
[D] He'd pull out that old photograph
Like a [G] treasured memory from the past
And say [D] child, this [A] here's the Van Lear [D] Rose [D]

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[D] Oh how it would bring a smile
When he [G] talked about her big blue eyes
And [D] how her beauty ran down to her soul [D]
[D] She'd walk across the coal miners' yard
Them [G] miners would yell loud and hard
And they'd [D] dream, of who would [A] hold the Van Lear [D] Rose [D]

She was the [G] belle of Johnson County
Ohio [D] River to Big Sandy
A [A] beauty to behold, like a [D] diamond in the coal
All the [G] miners they would gather 'round
[D] Talk about the man that came to town
Right [A] under their nose
Stole the [A] heart of the Van Lear [D] Rose [D]

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Now the [D] Van Lear Rose could've had her pick
And [G] all the fellers figured rich
Un-[D]til, this poor boy caught her eye [D]
His [D] buddies would all laugh and say
You're [G] dreamin' boy she'll never look your way
You'll [D] never ever [A] hold the Van Lear [D] Rose [D]

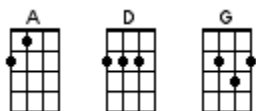
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[D] Then one night in mid-July
Under-**[G]**neath that ol' Kentucky sky
Well that **[D]** poor boy, won that beauty's heart **[D]**
My **[D]** daddy would look at my mommy and smile
Brushed the **[G]** hair back from my eyes and said
Your **[D]** mama **[A]** she's the Van Lear **[D]** Rose **[D]**

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