# Copperhead Road

Steve Earle 1988

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Well **[D]** my name's John Lee**[G]** Petti-**[D]**more **/** **[D] / [G][D] /**

**[D]** Same as my daddy and his **[C]** daddy be-**[D]**fore **/ [D] / [G][D]**

You **[D]** hardly ever saw grand-**[G]**daddy down **[D]** here **/ [D] / [G][D]**

He **[D]** only come to town about **[C]** twice a **[D]** year **/ [D] / [G][D]**

He’d buy a **[D]** hundred pounds of yeast and some **[G]** copper **[D]** line **/ [D] / [G][D] /**

**[D]** Everybody knew that he **[G]** made moon-**[D]**shine **/ [D] / [G][D]**

Now the **[G]** revenue man wanted **[C]** granddaddy **[G]** bad

He **[D]** headed up the holler with **[G]** everything he **[D]** had

It’s be-**[G]**fore my time, but **[C]** I've been **[G]** told

He **[D]↓** never come back from Copperhead Road

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Now **[D]** daddy ran the whiskey in a **[G]** big black **[D]** Dodge **/ [D] / [G][D] /**

**[D]** Bought it at an auction at the **[C]** Mason's **[D]** Lodge **/ [D] / [G][D] /**

**[D]** Johnson County Sheriff painted **[G]** on the **[D]** side **/ [D] / [G][D]**

Just **[D]** shot a coat of primer then he **[C]** looked in-**[D]**side **/ [D] / [G][D]**

Well **[D]** him and my uncle tore that **[G]** engine **[D]** down **/ [D] / [G][D]**

I **[D]** still remember that **[G]** rumblin’ **[D]** sound **/ [D] / [G][D]**

Then the **[G]** sheriff came around in the **[C]** middle of the **[G]** night

**[D]** Heard momma cryin’ that **[G]** something wasn't **[D]** right

He was **[G]** headed down to Knoxville with the **[C]** weekly **[G]** load

You could **[D]↓** smell the whisky burnin’ down Copperhead Road

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I volun-**[D]**teered for the army on **[G]** my birth-**[D]**day **/ [D] / [G][D]**

They draft the **[D]** white trash first, ‘round **[C]** here any-**[D]**way **/ [D] / [G][D]**

I done **[D]** two tours of duty in **[G]** Viet-**[D]**nam **/ [D] / [G][D] /**

**[D]** I came home with a **[C]** brand new **[D]** plan **/ [D] / [G][D]**

I take the **[D]** seed from Columbia and **[G]** Mexi-**[D]**co **/ [D] / [G][D]**

I just **[D]** plant up the holler down **[G]** Copperhead **[D]** Road **/ [D] / [G][D]**

Now the **[G]** D.E.A.'s got a **[C]** chopper in the **[G]** air

I **[D]** wake up screamin’ like I’m **[G]** back over **[D]** there

I **[G]** learned a thing or two from **[C]** Charlie don't you **[G]** know

You **[D]↓** better stay away from Copperhead Road

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