The Cat Came Back

Harry S. Miller, 1893, et al
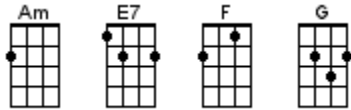
< ~[E7]~ means tremolo on the [E7] chord >

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Now **[Am]** Old Mr. **[G]** Johnson had **[F]** troubles of his **[E7]** own
He **[Am]** had a yellow **[G]** cat, who **[F]** wouldn't leave his **[E7]** home
He **[Am]** tried and he **[G]** tried to **[F]** give the cat a-**[E7]**way
He **[Am]** gave it to a **[G]** man going **[F]** far, far a-**[E7]**way **[E7]**

But the **[Am]** cat came **[G]** back the **[F]** very next **[E7]** day
The **[Am]** cat came **[G]** back, they **[F]** thought he was a **[E7]** goner
But the **[Am]** cat came **[G]** back, he **[F]** just couldn't **[E7]** stay a-**[Am]**way **[G]**
[F] Give me a **[E7]** meow, go **[Am]** **(meow)** **[G]** / **[F][E7]**

Now, the **[Am]** man around the **[G]** corner swore he'd **[F]** kill the cat on **[E7]** sight
So, he **[Am]** loaded up his **[G]** shotgun with **[F]** nails & dyna-**[E7]**mite **< SLOWER >**
He **[Am]** waited and he **[G]** waited for the **[F]** cat to come a-**[E7]**↓round…
Ninety-**[Am]**↓ seven pieces **[G]**↓ of the man is **[F]**↓ all that they **[E7]**↓ found…

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LEADER: But you know…

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So, he **[Am]** gave it to a **[G]** man going **[F]** up in a bal-**[E7]**loon
He **[Am]** told him for to **[G]** take him to the **[F]** Man in the **[E7]** Moon
The bal-**[Am]**loon came **[G]** down about **[F]** ninety miles a-**[E7]**way
[Am] Where the man is **[G]** now, well I **[F]** dare not **[E7]** say… **[E7]** but you know

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So, he **[Am]** gave it to a **[G]** man going **[F]** way out **[E7]** west
He **[Am]** told him for to **[G]** take it to the **[F]** one he loved the **[E7]** best
[Am] First the train **[G]** hit the track **[F]** then it jumped a **[E7]** rail <mark>< SLOWER ></mark>
[Am] Not a soul was **[G]** left behind to **[F]** tell the gruesome ~**[E7]**~ tale… **[E7]**↓

LEADER: But you know what?

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[F] Give me a **[E7]** meow, go **[Am]** (meow) **[G]** / **[F][E7]**

Now the **[Am]** cat was the pos-**[G]**sessor of a **[F]** family of his **[E7]** own
With **[Am]** seven little **[G]** kittens, 'til there **[F]** came a cy-**[E7]**clone
It **[Am]** tore the houses **[G]** all apart and **[F]** tossed the cat a-**[E7]**↓round <mark>< SLOWER ></mark>
The **[Am]**↓ air was filled with **[G]**↓ kittens
But not **[F]**↓ one was ever ~**[E7]**~ found… **[E7]**↓ <mark>< PAUSE ></mark>

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[F] Give me a **[E7]** meow, go **[Am]** (meow) **[G]** / **[F]** Sing it all a-**[E7]**gain now

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[Am] (Meow) [G] / **[F]** Louder **[E7]** meow /
[Am] (Meow) [G] / **[F]** Louder **[E7]** /
[Am] (Meow) [G] / **[F]** A little **[E7]** quieter /
[Am] (Meow) [G] / **[F]** Quieter **[E7]** meow /
[Am] (Meow) [G] Shhh / **[F]** quiet as you **[E7]** can /
[Am] (Meow) [G] / **[F][E7]** / **[Am]**↓