Sonny lives on a farm on a wide open space Where you can kick off your snickers and give up the race You could lay down your head by the sweet river bed But Sonny always remembers what it was his Mama said

Oh, Sonny don't go away, I am here all alone
And your daddy's a sailor who never comes home
When the nights get so long and the silence goes on
And I'm feeling so tired, not all that strong

Sonny carries a load though he's barely a man
There ain't all that to do, still he does what he can
And he watches the sea from a room by the stairs
And those waves, they keep rollin', they keep rollin' for years
and years

Oh, Sonny's dream...

Sonny's dreams can't be real, they're just stories he's read They're just stars in his eyes, they're just dreams in his head And he's hungry inside for the wide world outside And I know I can't hold him though I've tried and I've tried

Sonny don't go away, I am here all alone
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When the nights get so long and the silence goes on
And I'm feeling so tired, I'm not that strong

Oh, Sonny's dream...