These Days (I Barely Get By)

George Jones

I woke up this morning aching with pain Don't think I can work, but I'll try The car's in the shop so I thumbed all the way Oh these days I barely get by

I walked home from work and it rained all the way My wife left and didn't say why
She laid all our bills on the desk in the hall
Oh these days I barely get by

Put my only two dollars on my favorite horse He lost by a nose and I cried Oh, my boss says come winter we'll all be laid off Oh these days I barely get by

These days I barely get by
I want to give up, lay down and die
Worst of all was when she told me goodbye
Whoa these days I barely get by
Whoa these days, one barely gets by