Coal Miner's Daughter

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D G D Well, I was born a coal miner's daughter E A7 In a cabin on a hill in Butcher Holler We were poor, but we had love D G That's the one thing that daddy made sure of A7 D He shoveled coal to make a poor man's dollar. My daddy worked all night in the Vanleer coal mine All day long in the field a-hoin' corn Mommie rocked the babies at night And read the Bible by the coal-oil light And ever'thing would start all over come break of morn'. Daddy loved and raised eight kids on a miner's pay Mommie scrubbed our clothes on a washboard ever' day Why, I've seen her fingers bleed To complain there was no need She'd smile in Mommie's understanding way. In the summertime we didn't have shoes to wear But in the wintertime we'd all get a brand new pair From a mail order catalog Money made from sellin' a hog Daddy always managed to get the money somewhere. Yeah!, I'm proud to be a coal miner's daughter I remember well - the well where I drew water The work we done was hard At night we'd sleep 'cause we were tired I never thought of ever leaving Butcher Holler. Well, a lot of things have changed since way back then And it's so good to be back home again Not much left but the floor Nothing lives here anymore Except the mem'ries of a coal miner's daughter.