**Small Town Southern Man**

G D

Born the middle son of a farmer

 A D

And a small town Southern man

G D

Like his daddy's daddy before him

 A

Brought up workin' on the land

G D

Fell in love with a small town woman

 A D

And they married up and settled down

G D

Natural way of life if you're lucky

 A G D

For a small town Southern man

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First there came four pretty daughters

 A D

For this small town Southern man

G D

Then a few years later came another

 A

A boy, he wasn't planned

G D

Seven people livin' all together

 A D

In a house built with his own hands

G D

Little words with love and understandin'

 A G D

From a small town Southern man

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And he bowed his head to Jesus

 G D

And he stood for Uncle Sam

 G D

And he only loved one woman

 A

He was always proud of what he had

 G D

He said his greatest contribution

 G D

Is the ones you leave behind

G D

Raised on the ways and gentle kindness

 A G D

Of a small town Southern man

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Callous hands told the story

 A D

For this small town Southern man

G D

He gave it all to keep it all together

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And keep his family on his land

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Like his daddy, years wore out his body

 A D

Made it hard just to walk and stand

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You can break the back

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But you can't break the spirit

 A G D

Of a small town Southern man

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Finally death came callin'

 A D

For this small town Southern man

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He said it's alright 'cause I see angels

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And they got me by the hand

G D

Don't you cry, and don't you worry

 A D

I'm blessed, and I know I am

G D

'Cause God has a place in Heaven

 A G D

For a small town Southern man

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