Paradise - John Prine

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pLbjvrtp0hQ

Key of D 3/4 Time

Fingerpicking tip: Instead of strumming the A7 chord, pick the 4-3-2 strings instead!

[D] [D] [D] [D] [D] [A7] [D] START SINGING ON BEAT 3
When [D] I was a child my [G] family would [D] travel,
down to Western Kentucky where my [A7] parents were [D] born
And there's a backwards old town that's [G] often re- [D] -membered,
so many times that my [A7] memories are [D] worn. [D]

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Well, [D] sometimes we'd travel right [G] down the Green [D] River, to the abandoned old prison down by [A7] Adrie [D] Hill Where the air smelled like snakes and we'd [G] shoot with our [D] pistols, but empty pop bottles was [A7] all we would [D] kill. [D]

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[D] [D] [G] [D] [D] [D] [A7] [D]

Then the [D] coal company came with the [G] world's largest [D] shovel, and they tortured the timber and [A7] stripped all the [D] land Well, they dug for their coal till the [G] land was for- [D] -saken, then they wrote it all down as the [A7] progress of [D] man. [D]

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When I [D] die let my ashes float [G] down the Green [D] River, let my soul roll on up to the [A7] Rochester [D] dam I'll be halfway to Heaven with [G] Paradise [D] waitin', just five miles away from wher- [A7] -ever I [D] am. [D]

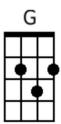
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Outro Instrumental: [D] [D] [G] [D] [D] [A7] [D-HOLD]

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