

You Never Even Called Me By My Name

key:C, artist:David Allan Coe writer:Steve Goodman and John Prine

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It was [C] all that I could [G] do to keep from [C] cryin'
Some-[F]times it seems so [G] useless to re-[C]main
[F] You don't have to call me darlin', [C] dar-[Am]lin'
You [C] never even [G] call me by my [C] name.

You don't have to [G] call me Waylon [C] Jennings
And [F] you don't have to [G] call me Charlie [C] Pride.
And [F] you don't have to call me Merle [C] Haggard any-
[Am]more.
[D] Even though your on my fightin' [G] side. [G7]

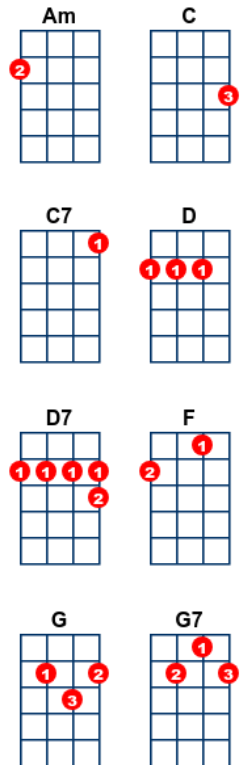
And I'll [F] hang around as long as you will [C] let me
And I [F] never minded [G] standin' in the [C] rain.

[C7]

But [F] you don't have to call me darlin', [C] dar[Am] lin'
You [C] never even [G7] called me by my [C] name.

I've heard my name a [G] few times in your [C] phone book
I've [F] seen it on [G] signs where I have [C] played
But the [F] only time I know, I'll hear [C] David Allan [Am] Coe
Is when [D] Jesus has his final Judgement [G] Day. [G7]

So I'll [F] hang around as long as you will [C] let me
And I [F] never minded [G] standin' in the [C] rain. [C7]
But [F] you don't have to call me darlin', [C] dar[Am] lin'
You [C] never even [G7] called me by my [C] name.



Spoken:

[C] Well, a friend of mine named Steve Goodman wrote that song and he told me [G] it was the perfect country and western song. I wrote him back a letter and told him it was NOT the perfect country and western song because he hadn't said [C] anything at all about Momma, or trains, [G] or trucks, or prison, [C] or gettin' drunk.[G] Well, he sat down [C] and wrote another verse to the song and he sent it to me and after reading it, I realized that my friend had written the perfect country and western song. And I felt obliged to include it on this album. The last verse goes like this here:

Well, I was [C] drunk the day my [G] Mom got outta [C] prison. And I [F] went to pick her [G] up in the [C] rain. But, be-[F]fore I could get to the station in my [C] pickup [Am] truck [D] She got runned [D7] over by a damned old [G] train. [G7]

And I'll [F] hang around as long as you will [C] let me
And I [F] never minded [G] standin' in the [C] rain. [C7]
No [F] you don't have to call me darlin', [C] dar-[Am]lin'
You [C] never even [F] call me,
I [C] wonder why you don't [G] call me
Why [C] don't you ever [G] call me by my [F] name. [C\]