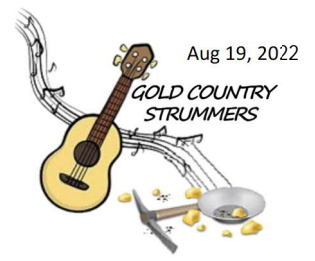


Cat's in the Cradle



Intro (x2): B \flat • C Am D • • •

^D My child arrived just the ^F other day

^G He came to the world in the ^D usual way

But there were planes to catch and ^F bills to pay

^G He learned to walk while I was ^D away

And he was talkin' 'fore I knew it, and as he ^{Am} grew

He'd say "I'm gonna be like ^{Am} you, ^D dad

You know I'm gonna be like ^{Am} you"

Chorus 1:

^D And the cat's in the cradle and the ^C silver spoon

^F Little boy blue and the ^G man in the moon

^D When you comin' home, ^D dad?

I don't know when, but we'll get to-gether then, ^D son

You know we'll have a good time ^D then

^D My son turned ten just the ^F other day

He said, "Thanks for the ball, ^G Dad, come on let's ^D play

Can you teach me to throw", I said "Not ^F today

I got a lot to do", he said, "That's ^D ok"

And he ^C walked away but his smile never ^{Am} dimmed

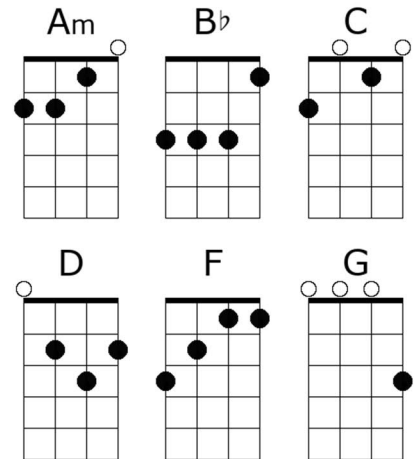
And said, "I'm gonna be like ^{Am} him, ^D yeah

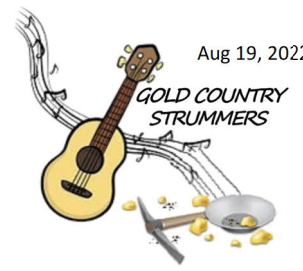
You know I'm gonna be like ^{Am} him"

<Chorus 1>

^D Well, he came from college just the ^F other day

^G So much like a man I just had to ^D say





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Baritone

"Son, I'm proud of you, can you sit for a while?"

He shook his head and he said with a smile

"What I'd really like, Dad, is to borrow the car keys

See you later, can I have them please?"

Chorus 2:

And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon

Little boy blue and the man in the moon

When you comin' home, son?

I don't know when, but we'll get to-gether then, dad

You know we'll have a good time then

Interlude (x2): B \flat • C Am D • • •

I've long since retired, my son's moved away

I called him up just the other day

I said, "I'd like to see you if you don't mind"

He said, "I'd love to, Dad, if I can find the time

You see my new job's a hassle and kids have the flu

But it's sure nice talking to you, Dad

It's been sure nice talking to you"

And as I hung up the phone it oc-curred to me

He'd grown up just like me

(ritard) My boy was just like me

<Chorus 2> (sustain)

