

**I Shot the Sheriff**  
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Riff:

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E|-3-----|
B|---6-3---3-----|
G|-----5-3---5-3-----|
D|-----5-----|
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Gm Gm  
I shot the sheriff,  
Cm Cm Gm Gm Gm  
but I did not shoot the deputy.  
Gm Gm  
I shot the sheriff,  
Cm Cm Gm Gm Gm  
but I did not shoot the deputy.

Eb7+ Dm7 Gm Gm  
All around in my old town  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm Gm  
they re trying to track me down.  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm Gm  
They say they want to bring me in guilty  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm Gm  
for the killing of a deputy,  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm Gm  
for the life of a deputy.

But I say: RIFF

Refrão:

Gm Cm7 Gm  
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot the deputy  
Gm Cm7 Gm  
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot the deputy

Eb7+ Dm7 Gm  
All around in my own town  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm  
They re trying to track me down  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm  
They say they want to bring me in guilty  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm  
For the killing of a deputy  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm

For the life of a deputy

But I say: RIFF

Gm Cm7 Gm  
I shot the sheriff, but I swear it was in self-defense  
Gm Cm7 Gm  
I shot the sheriff, and they say it is a capital offense

Eb7+ Dm7 Gm  
Sheriff John Brown always hated me  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm  
For what I don t know  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm  
Every time that I plant a seed  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm  
He said Kill it before it grows  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm  
He said Kill it before it grows

But I say: RIFF

Gm Cm7 Gm  
I shot the sheriff, but I swear it was in self-defense  
Gm Cm7 Gm  
I shot the sheriff, but I swear it was in self-defense

Eb7+ Dm7 Gm  
Freedom came my way one day  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm  
And I started out of town  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm  
All of a sudden I see sheriff John Brown  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm  
Aiming to shoot me down  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm  
So I shot, I shot him down

But I say: RIFF

Gm Cm7 Gm  
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot the deputy  
Gm Cm7 Gm  
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot the deputy

Eb7+ Dm7 Gm  
Reflexes got the better of me  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm  
And what is to be must be  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm  
Every day the bucket falls to the well  
Eb7+ Dm7 Gm  
But one day the bottom will drop out

Eb7+                      Dm7                      Gm  
Yes, one day the bottom will drop out

But I say: RIFF

Gm                              Cm7                              Gm  
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot the deputy  
Gm                              Cm7                              Gm  
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot the deputy