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Jimmy Rose

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Capo one
Intro: **G D Cadd9**

Everything is basically **G D Cadd9** throughout. Listen to song for timing

Verse 1:

G D Cadd9
He pulls in that oleâ€™ Chevy from a second shift.
G D Cadd9
Mamaâ€™s still sleeping, kids still crashed down on the couch.
He goes on the backdoor; he donâ€™t wanna wake them up.
So he wipes the coal dust off his face and hits his knees.
He says, â€œLord, I want to thank you for everything.
And the strength you give me to make it day by day.â€•

G C D

Coal keeps the lights on.
My hometown keeps food on the spoon in my younginâ€™s mouth.
Tires on the truck and a sundress on my baby girl.
Coal keeps the bills paid, the clothes on the backs,
and shoes on the feet in the high school halls of the Mountain Lions
and the Bill County Bobcats on the hill.

Verse 2:

They went plumb down crazy in Washington.
Theyâ€™re talking about closing the mines.
Theyâ€™re gonna bleed us all dry from the inside out.
They donâ€™t care that much about the little man or the calloused hands.
Itâ€™s a way of life â€˜round, just like itâ€™s always been.

G C D

Bridge:

If I get the chance to stand one day,
And name the things to me that Iâ€™m most proud of,
Well, I hope one day I can say, that coal kept the lights on.
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Tires on the truck and a sundress on my baby girl.
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and shoes on the feet in the high school halls of the Mountain Lions

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I hope I can say that coal kept the lights on.