

**Daddy Frank (The Guitar Man)**

**Merle Haggard**

**D**

Daddy Frank played the guitar and the French harp,

**A**

sister played the ringing tambourine.

**A7**

**A**

Mama couldn't hear our pretty music,

**A7**

**D**

she read our lips and helped the family sing.

That little band was all a part of living,

**A**

and our only means of living at the time,

**A7**

**A**

and it wasn't like no normal family combo,

**A7**

**D**

cause Daddy Frank the guitar man was blind.

**Bm**

**D**

Frank and mama counted on each other,

**Bm**

**D**

their one and only weakness made them strong.

**G**

**D**

Hey, mama did the driving for the family,

**E**

**A**

and Frank made a living with a song.

**Bm**

**D**

Home was just a camp along the highway,

**Bm**

**D**

a pick-up bed was where we bedded down.

**G**

**D**

Don't ever once remember going hungry,

**D**

**G**

**D**

**A**

**D**

but I remember mama cooking on the ground.

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Don t remember how they got acquainted,

**Bm**

**D**

I can t recall just how it came to be.

**G**

**D**

But there had to be some special help from someone,

**E**

**A**

and blessed be the one that let it be.

**Bm**

**D**

Fever caused my mama s loss of hearing,

**Bm**

**D**

Daddy Frank was born without his sight.

**G**

**D**

And mama needed someone she could lean on,

**D**

**G**

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**A**

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and I believe the guitar man was right.

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