

**The Night Chicago Died**  
**Paper Lace**

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Daddy was a cop,  
on the east side of Chicago.  
Back in the U.S.A.,  
back in the bad old days...

**Dm G G7 C**

In the heat of the summer night, in the land of the dollar bill.

**Dm G G7 C**

When the town of Chicago died, and they talk about it still.

**Dm G7 C**

When a man named Al Capone, tried to make that town his own,

**Dm G7 C**

and he called his gang to war, with the forces of the law.

**C Dm**

I heard my mama cry, I heard her pray the night Chicago died.

**G7 G7**

brother what a night it really was, brother what a fight it really was.

**C C Dm**

glory be. I heard my mama cry, I heard her pray the night Chicago died.

**G7 G7**

Brother what a night the people saw, brother what a fight the people saw.

**C**

Yes indeed.

**C Dm G G7**

And the sound of the battle rang, through the streets of the old east side.

**Dm G G7 C**

Till the last of the hoodlem gang, had surrendered up or died.

**Dm G7 C**

There was shouting in the street, and the sound of running feet,

**Dm G7 C**  
and I asked someone who said, about a hundred cops are dead.

**C Dm**  
I heard my mama cry, I heard her pray the night Chicago died.

**G7 G7**  
Brother what a night it really was, brother what a fight it really was.

**C C Dm**  
glory be. I heard my mama cry, I heard her pray the night Chicago died.

**G7 G7**  
Brother what a night the people saw, brother what a fight the people saw.

**C**  
Yes indeed.

**Dm G G7 C**  
Then there was no sound at all, but the clock up on the wall.

**Dm G G7 C**  
Then the door burst open wide, and my daddy stepped inside,

**Dm G7 C**  
and he kissed my mama's face, and he brushed her tears away,

**C C**  
the night Chicago died. the night Chicago died.

**G7 G7**  
Brother what a night the people saw, brother what a fight the people saw.

**C C Dm**  
Yes indeed. The night Chicago died. the night Chicago died.

**G7 G7**  
Brother what a night it really was, brother what a fight it really was.

**C C Dm**  
glory be. The night Chicago died. The night Chicago died.

**G7**

Brother what a night the people saw.