

Mama Tried 2

pb - Pre bend to indicated pitch

r - Release bend

Intro:

(acoustic)

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E |-----5-----5-----3-----2-----2--|
B |-----|
G |-----|
D |---0---0---0---0---0---0---|
A |--0---0---0---0---0---0---|
E |-----|

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Lick 1:

(electric)

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E |--pb14r12-----|
B |-----13-----|
G |-----pb7r5-----2--2--|
D |-----5-----0--0--|
A |-----|
E |-----|

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           D           G           D           G
First thing I remember knowin' was a lonesome whistle blowin'
           D           G           A7
And a young-on's dream of growing up to ride
           D           G           D           G
On a freight train leaving town, not knowing where I'm bound
           D           A7           D
And no one could change my mind, but Mama tried

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One and only rebel child, from a family meek and mild
Mama seemed to know what lay in store
'Spite of all my Sunday learnin', toward the bad I kept on turnin'
'Til Mama couldn't hold me anymore

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D           G           D
And I turned twenty-one in prison doing life without parole
           G           D           A7
No one could steer me right, but Mama tried, Mama tried
           D           G           D
Mama tried to raise me better, but her pleading I denied,
           A7           D
that leaves only me to blame, 'cause Mama tried

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Solo:

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E |--pb14r12-----|
B |-----13-----pb7r5-----3---3-5-3--|
G |-----5-----3/5---5-----|
D |-----|
A |-----|
E |-----|

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E |-----|
B |-----pb7r5-----|
G |-----5-----|
D |---0-3-0-0-5-0-0-6-5-3-0-3-5-0---|
A |--0-3-----|
E |-----|

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Dear old Daddy rest his soul, he left my mom a heavy load
She tried so very hard to fill his shoes
Working hours without rest, she wanted me to have the best
She tried to raise me right, but I refused

CHORUS

