

Peacemaker

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There was a man that i once knew
His face was dark and his eyes were blue
He spoke with a voice i could barely understand
He said, "Son i want you to take this from my hand"

Inside his hand was a gun called a Peacemaker
He looked kind of strange but i felt sure
It was a gift from this man that filled me with such pride
I was the only man who had seen it and survived

"Now i can show you a thing or two
But there's one thing you must promise to do
And that's never use it unless you have no choice"
As he said the words there was anger in his voice

Now i don't want you to do
The things that I've done
But you can learn from the
Battles I've lost and I've won
Take a chance on your life
But don't gamble it away
You're going to make some mistakes
And you'll have to pay
Keep your sights upon the sun and
You'll be known as the one
Who rose above the rest

Well he showed me how to use it alright
I shot up everything in sight
Now i can shoot the petals off a daisy in the wind
He said, "Son looks like you found yourself a friend"

Now it's been twelve long years since that summer day
And a lot of trouble has come my way

But i never felt the need to use my friend
I would swear by my promise to the end

Inside a bar near the spring hill mining town
Was a wild-eyed man with a killer's frown
Who held his colt .45 right up to my head
Before his finger touched the trigger he was dead

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