

You Never Even Called Me By My Name

David Allan Coe

Well, it was all that I could do to keep from cryin'
 Sometimes it seemed so useless to remain
 But you don't have to call me darlin', darlin'
 You never even call me by my name You don't have to call me Waylon Jennings
 and you don't have to call me Charlie Pride
 and you don't have to call me Merle Haggard anymore
 Even though you're on my fightin' side And I'll hang around as long as you will let me
 and I never minded standin' in the rain
 But you don't have to call me darlin', darlin'
 You never even called me by my name Well, I've heard my name
 A few times in your phone book (hello, hello)
 and I've seen it on signs where I've played
 But the only time I know
 I'll hear "David Allan Coe"
 Is when jesus has his final judgment day
 So I will hang around as long as you will let me
 and I never minded standin' in the rain
 But you don't have to call me darlin', darlin'
 You never even called me by my name Well a friend of mine named Steve Goodman wrote that
 song
 and he told me it was the perfect country and western song
 I wrote him back a letter and I told him it was not
 The perfect country and western song because he hadn't
 Said anything at all about mama,
 Or trains, or trucks, or prison, or gettin' drunk
 well he sat down and wrote another verse to the song
 and he sent it to me,
 and after readin' it,
 i realized that my friend had written the perfect
 country & western song
 and i felt obliged to include it on this album
 the last verse goes like this here:
 well, i was drunk the day my mom got out of prison
 and i went to pick her up in the rain
 but before i could get to the station in the pickup truck
 she got runned over by a damned old train and i'll hang around as long as you will let me
 and i never minded standin' in the rain
 no, a' you don't have to call me darlin', darlin'
 you never even call me
 well i wonder why you don't call me
 why don't you ever call me by my name

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