

GRANDMA'S KILLER FRUITCAKE

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Two-Beat Country Swing



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The hol - i - days were up - on us and



things were go - in' fine, 'til the day I heard the door -



bell and a chill ran up my spine. — I



grabbed the wife and chil - dren as the post - man wheeled it in; —



a year - ly Christ - mas night - mare had



just come back a - gain. — It was hard - er than the head of



Un - cle Buck - y; heav - y as a ser - mon of Preach - er Luck - y;

C C/B Am D7

one's e-nough to give the whole state of Ken-tuck-y a great big bel-ly

G7 C

achel It was dens-er than a drove of barn-yard tur-keys;

F C

tough-er than a truck-load of all-beef jerk-y;

C/B Am D7 G7 To Coda ⊕

dri-er than a drought in Al-bu-quer-que; Grand-ma's kill-er fruit



cake!

The first system of music features a vocal line starting with a whole note C4, followed by a piano accompaniment with a bass line of quarter notes and a treble line of chords.



Now I had to swal - low some

The second system continues the vocal line with quarter notes and piano accompaniment with chords and a bass line.



mar - gi - nal fare at our fam - 'ly feast I

The third system features a vocal line with quarter notes and piano accompaniment with chords and a bass line.



e ven downed Aunt Dol - ly's pos - sum pie just to keep the fam - 'ly peace...

The fourth system concludes the vocal line with quarter notes and piano accompaniment with chords and a bass line.

G7

C

I winced at Wil - ma's giz - zard mousse, but

F

C

said it tast - ed fine, But that leth - al wea - pon

D7

G7

D.S. al Coda

Grand ma baked is where I draw the line, — It was

CODA

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C

A7

D

cake! It's ear - ly Christ - mas morn - in'; the

G

D

phone rings us a wake. — It's Grand - ma, Pa, she

E7

A7

wants to know... how we liked the cake? — Well,

D

G

Grand ma, I nev - er... we could-n't... it was un - be - liev - a - ble,

D

that's for sure! What's that you say? Oh, no Grand - ma, please! Don't

E7



A7



D



send us an - y - more! — It was hard - er than the head of

G



D



Un - cle Buck - y; heav - y as a ser - mon of Preach - er Luck - y;

D



D/C#



Bm



E7



one's e - nough to give the whole state of Ken - tuck - y a great big bel - ly

A7



D



ache! It was dens - er than a drove of barn - yard tur - keys;

G D D/C#

tough - er than a truck - load of all - beef jerk - y; dri - er than a drought in

Bm E7 A7 D

Al bu - quer - que; Grand - ma's { kill - er fruit - cake! It was
kill - er fruit..

E7 A7 E7 A7

Man, that's kill - er fruit... Grand - ma's kill - er fruit

D E7 A7 D N.C.

cake. Grand - ma's kill - er fruit cake!