

# MAMAS DON'T LET YOUR BABIES GROW UP TO BE COWBOYS

by E. & P. Bruce/performed by Waylon Jennings and Willie Nelson.

G C  
Cowboys ain't easy to love and they're harder to hold  
D G  
They'd rather give you a song than diamonds or gold  
C  
Lonestar belt buckles and old faded Levi's and each night begins a new day  
D  
If you don't understand him and he don't die young  
G  
He'll probably just ride away

**Chorus:** (chords in parenthesis are for last chorus)

G (A) C(D)  
Mamas don't let your babies grow up to be cowboys  
D (E)  
Don't let them pick guitars and drive them old trucks  
G(A)  
Make them be doctors and lawyers and such  
C (D)  
Mamas don't let your babies grow up to be cowboys  
D(E)  
They'll never stay home and they're always alone  
G(A)  
Even with someone they love

**Verse 2:(A tone higher)**

A D  
Cowboys like smokey ol' pool rooms and clear mountain mornings  
E A  
Little warm puppies and children and girls of the night  
Them that don't know him won't like him  
D  
And them that do sometimes won't know how to take him  
E  
He ain't wrong, he's just different but his pride won't let him  
A  
Do the things that make you think he's right

Chorus (Use A/D/E chords above)