

## Year That Clayton Delaney Died

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Well I remember the year that Clayton Delaney died  
They said for the last two weeks that he suffered and cried  
It made a big impression on me although I was a barefoot kid  
They said he got religion at the end and I'm glad that he did  
Clayton was the best guitar picker in our town  
I thought he was a hero and I used to follow Clayton around  
I often wondered why Clayton who seemed so good to me  
Never took his guitar and made it down in Tennessee  
Daddy said he drank a lot but I could never understand  
I knew he used to picked up in Ohio with a five piece band  
Clayton used to tell me son you better put that old guitar away  
There ain't no money in it it'll lead you to an early gray  
I guess if I'd admit it Clayton taught me how to drink booze  
I can see him half stoned pickin' up the Lovesick Blues  
When Clayton died I made him a promise I was gonna carry on som  
ehow  
I'd give a hundred dollars if he could only see me now  
I remember the year that Clayton Delaney died  
Nobody ever knew it but I went out in the woods and I cried  
Well I know there's a lotta big preachers that know a lot more  
than I do  
But it could be that the good Lord likes a little picking too  
Yeah I remember the year that Clayton Delaney died