Are The Good Times Really Over

Merle Haggard

I wish a buck was still silver
It was back when the country was strong
Back before Elvis
Before the Vietnam war came along

Before The Beatles and 'Yesterday'
When a man could still work, still would
The best of the free life behind us now
And are the good times really over for good?

Are we rolling down hill Like a snowball headed for Hell? With no kind of chance For the Flag or the Liberty Bell

Wish a Ford and a Chevy Could still last ten years, like they should Is the best of the free life behind us now? Are the good times really over for good?

I wish Coke was still Cola And a joint was a bad place to be It was back before Nixon lied to us all on TV

Before microwave ovens
When a girl could still cook and still would
The best of the free life behind us now
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Wish a Ford and a Chevy Could still last ten years, like they should Is the best of the free life behind us now? Are the good times really over for good?

Stop rolling down hill Like a snowball headed for Hell Stand up for the Flag And let's all ring the Liberty Bell

Let's make a Ford and a Chevy Still last ten years like they should The best of the free life is still yet to come The good times ain't over for good