Boomer's Story

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Come and gather all around me Listen to my tale of woe Got some good advice to give you Lots of things you oughta know Take a tip from one who's traveled And never stopped a-ramblin' 'round 'Cause once you get the roamin' fever You never want to settle down, boy You never want to settle downMet a little gal in Frisco And I asked her to be my wife Told her I was tired of roamin' Goin' to settle down for lifeThen I heard the whistle blowin' And I knew it was the Red Ball Train And I left that gal beside the railroad And I never saw the gal again, boy I never saw the gal againSaw the gal again I never saw the gal again Left that gal beside the railroad I never saw the gal againTraveled all over the country I've traveled everywhere Been on every Branch Line railroad Never paid a nickel fareBeen from Maine to Califor'ny Canada to Mexico And I never tried to save no money Now I got no place to go, boy Now I got no place to goListen to a Boomer's story Pay attention to what I say Hear another train a-comin' Guess I'll be on my wayIf you wanna do me a favor When I lay me down and die Just dig my grave beside the railroad So I can hear the trains go by, boy So I can hear the trains go by Hear the trains go I can hear the trains go by Just dig my grave beside the railroad

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