## **Paradise**

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When I was a boy my family would travel Inta' Western Kentucky where my parents were born

To a lost little town there that's often remembered

So many times that my memory drew warnAnd daddy won't ya take me back to Mulingburg County

Down by the green river where Paradise lay

He said, I'm sorry my son but you're too late in askin'

Mr. Peabodys' coal trains hauled it awayWell sometimes we travel right down the green river To the abandoned old prison down by Gadry Hill

Where the air smelled like snakes an' we'd shoot off pistols

Ah, but empty pop bottles is all we would killAnd daddy won't ya take me back to Mulingburg County

Down by the green river where paradise lay

He said, I'm sorry my son but you're too late in askin'

Mr. Peabodys' coal train has hauled it awayWell the coal compny' came with the worlds largest shovel

They tortured the timber and stripped all of the land

Lord they dug for their coal 'til the ground was forsaken

Then wrote it all down as a, 'The Progress Of Man'So daddy won't ya take me back to Mulingburg County

Down by the green river where Paradise lay

He said, I'm sorry my son but you're too late in askin'

Mr Peabodys' coal trains hauled it awayWhen I die let my ashes float down the green river

Let my soul roll on up to the Rochester Dam

I'll be halfway to heaven with Paradise waitin'

Just 5 miles away from wherever I amOh, and daddy won't ya take me back to Mulingburg County

Down by the green river where Paradise lay

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Mr. Peabodys' coal train has hauled it awayHe said, I'm sorry my son but you're too late in askin'
Mr. Peabodys coal train has hauled it away

Oh, Mr. Peabodys' coal train has hauled it away

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