Old Folkie

Harry Chapin

He's the man with the banjo and the 12-string guitar And he's singing us the songs that tell us who we are

When you look in his eyes

You know that somebody's in there Yeah, he knows where we're going and where we been And how the fog is gettin' thicker where the future should begin

When you look at his life

You know that he's really been thereStill, what is the name that they're calling that man?

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You know, it's always the Old Folkie

They say he's always bleedin'

But whenever somebody's needing him

He's the one who caresIt's always the Old Folkie

Whenever something's burning

Or a lesson needs some learning

Or a tide that needs some turning

To a better world somewhere

Yeah, the old folkie's there Yeah, for forty years now he's been pushin' on

Carrying the dream 'cause Woody's long gone

He's the last voice singing that

Bound for glory songAnd if you never seen him you might take a look

He's the man who put the meaning in the music book

Yeah, the world may be tired

But Pete's still going strongStill, what is the name that they're calling that man?

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