## Poâ€<sup>TM</sup> Folks

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There's a whole lotta people lookin' down their noses at me 'Cause I didn't come from a wealthy family

There was ten of us livin' in a two room shack

On the banks of the river by the railroad trackWe kept chickens in a pen in the back and everybody said we was po' folks

My daddy was a farmer but all he ever raised was us Dug a forty foot well struck thirty-six gallons of dust

Salvation Army give us clothes to wear a man from the county came to cut our hairWe lived next door to a millionare but we wadn't nothin' but po' folks

We was po' folks livin' in a rich folks world we sure was a hungry bunch
If the wolf had ever come to our front door he'd've had to brought a picnic lunch
My grandaddy's pension was a dollar and thirty-three centsThat was ten dollar less than the landlord wanted for rent

The landlord's letters got nasty indeed he wrote get out but pa couldn't read

And we was too broke to even pay heed but that's how it is when you're po' folksWe was po' folks livin' in a

rich folks world we sure was a hungry bunch

If the wolf had ever come to our front door he'd've had to brought a picnic lunch But we had something in our house money can't buy

Kept us warm in the winter cool when the sun was highFor whenever we didn't have food enough and the howlin' winds would get pretty rough

We patched the cracks and set the table with love

'Cause that's what you do when you're po' folks and we wadn't nothin' but po' folks

My mom and my dad was po' folks my brother and my sister was po' folksMy dog and my cat was po' folks

and even the po' folks was po' folks

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