Old Shep

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When I was a lad and old Shep was a pup
Over hills and meadows we'd play
Just a boy and his dog we were both full of fun
We grew up together that wayI remember the time at the old swimming hole
When I would have drowned beyond doubt
But old Shep was right there to the rescue he came
He jumped in and helped pull me outNow, the years they rolled by and old Shep he grew old
His eye sight at last it grew dim
Then one day the doctor looked at him
And said, I can't do no more for him JimWith a hand that was trembling, I picked up my gun
And I aimed it at Shep's faithful head
But I just couldn't do it I wanted to run
I wished they would shoot me instead

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