

# RAMBLIN' MAN

words & music by Dickey Betts(1972)

wh 03/24

**Key:** G    **Start Note:** D    **Time:** 4/4    **Strum:** d du d du

**Intro:** G            F            G    G↓

Lord I was born a ramlin' man

## CHORUS:

G            F            G    G

Lord I was born a ramblin' man

G            C            D    D

Tryin' to make a livin' and doin' the best I can

C            G            Em            C

And when it's time for leavin'... I hope you'll under-stand

G            D            G    D↓    D↓

....That I was born a ramblin' man

G            C            G            G  
1. My father was a gambler down in Georgia

G            C            D    D  
And he wound up on the wrong end of a gun

C            G            Em            C  
And I was born in the back-seat of a...Greyhound bus

G            D            G    G  
Rollin' down Highway Forty-one

## CHORUS:

G            F            G    G

Lord I was born a ramblin' man

G            C            D    D

Tryin' to make a livin' and doin' the best I can

C            G            Em            C

And when it's time for leavin'... I hope you'll under-stand

G            D            G    G

That I was born a ramblin' man

## INSTRUMENT INTERLUDE:

G            F            G  
Lord I was born a ramblin' man

G            C            D    D

Tryin' to make a livin' and doin' the best I can

C            G            Em            C/

And when it's time for leavin'...I hope you'll under-stand

G            D            G    D↓    D↓

That I was born a ramblin' man

2. I'm on my way to New Orleans this mornin'  
 Leavin' out of Nashville, Tennes-see  
 They're always havin' a good time down on the... Bayou, Lord  
 Them Delta women think the world of me

**CHORUS:**

Lord I was born a ramblin' man  
 Tryin' to make a livin' and doin' the best I can  
 And when it's time for leavin'... I hope you'll under-stand  
 ....That I was born a ramblin' man

**OUTRO:**

Lord I was born a ramblin' man  
 Lord I was born a ramblin' man  
 Lord I was born a ramblin' man