

# Merle Haggard, I Wish Things Were Simple Again

I wish things were simple like they used to be  
When cowboys rode horses, and were heroes to me  
My Mother was a lady, and my Dad was a man  
And I wish things were simple again

I wish things were simple, like when I was a kid  
A man just got paid for the work that he did  
And a song could be played for a nickel back then  
And I wish things were simple again

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Men fly above like birds  
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Oh, I wish things were simple again