

# George Jones, I Was Country When Country Was

(Written by K. Fleming & D. Morgan)  
Barbara Mandrell & George Jones  
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(Barbara)

I remember wearin' straight leg Levis and flannel shirts  
Even when they weren't in style  
I remember singin' with Roy Rogers at the movies  
When the West was really wild  
And I was listenin' to the Opry  
When all of my friends were diggin'  
Rock 'n Roll and Rhythm & Blues  
I was country, when country wasn't cool.

I remember circlin' the drive-in, pullin' up  
And turnin' down George Jones  
I remember when no one was lookin'  
I was puttin' peanuts in my Coke  
I took a lot of kiddin'  
'Cause I never did fit in  
now look at everybody tryin' to be what I was then  
I was country, when country wasn't cool.

Chorus:

I was country, when country wasn't cool  
I was Country, from my hat down to my boots  
I still act, and look the same  
What you see ain't nothin' new  
I was country, when country wasn't cool.

--- Instrumental ---

They call us country bumpkins  
For stickin' to our roots  
I'm just glad we're in a country  
Where we're all free to choose  
I was country, when country wasn't cool.

Chorus: (George)

Hey, I was country, when country wasn't cool  
Yes, I was Country, from my hat down to my boots

(Both)

I still act, and look the same  
What you see ain't nothin' new  
I was country, when country wasn't cool.

Yeah, I was Country when Country wasn't cool.