

CATFISH JOHN - by Bob McDill & Allen Reynolds (1972)

=====CHORUS

A D
Mama said don't go near that river
A E7
Don't go hanging around old Catfish John
A D
But-come the morning I'd always be there
A E7 A
Walking in his footsteps in the sweet Delta dawn

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A D A
Let me dream of another morning
D A
And a time so long ago
D A
When the sweet magnolias blossomed
E7 A
And-the-cotton fields were white as snow

A D A
Catfish John was a river hobo
D A
He lived and died on the river bend
D A
Thinking back I still remember
E7 A
I was proud to be his friend

=====CHORUS

A D A
Born a slave in the town of Vicksburg
D A
Traded for a chestnut mare
D A
Still-he-never spoke a word in anger
E7 A
Though his load was hard to bear

=====CHORUS - repeat last line (extend 'sweeeeeet')

