

# THE MEMPHIS BLUES

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*New Lyrics  
and Melody  
Interpolations  
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Tune Ukulele  
or Banjulele Banjo  
A D F# B

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Slow Blues Tempo

**G**

I had a man from Mem-phis made a fuss o - ver me — he was the  
He used to make the fire — on a cold win - ter night — there aint a  
I got an ad - ver - tise - ment in the pa - per to - day — I hope my

**G7** **C**

kind I hat - ed to lose, — Threw me down —  
thing he'd ev - er re - fuse — Now he's gone —  
ba - by's read - in' the news — Please come back —

**G** **Eb7** **C** **G** **Dim** **G**

Now I've got the Mem-phis blues  
Leav - ing me the Mem-phis blues  
Help me loose the Mem-phis blues

Symbols over Ukulele diagrams are the names of the chords in the original key and are adaptable to Banjo and Guitar.

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D7 G Eb7 C G D7

Walk - in' roun\_ Cover - ed with the Mem - phis Blues - is - n't that the sad - dest news  
 From now on\_ Griev - ing with the Mem - phis Blues - they're the kind that's hard to lose  
 Hur - ry back\_ Help me lose the Mem - phis Blues - hon - ey dear now dont re - fuse

Gmi Cmi D7 Cmi D7

'Taint a riv - er deep e - nough 'Taint an o - cean wide e - nough now,  
 I'll for - give most an - y - thing They can steal my dia - mond ring too,  
 Look at what he did to me Look at what he did to me now

Gmi Cmi D7

He can go and hide a - way 'Cause - I'm gon - na find him some - how  
 But to steal that man of mine That's the thing that nev - er will do  
 Don't care what be - comes of me Don't care what be - comes of me now

Gmi Cmi D7 Cmi D7

'Taint a town that's small e - nough 'Taint a ci - ty big e - nough now  
 Like to lay my hands up - on Some - one who has sto - len my prize  
 Friends would rave the way I dress Aint I look - in' like a mess now

G mi    Dim    D7    Daug 5

He can go most a - ny where I'll be there to get him I vow —  
 When I get that thiev - in' one, Gon - na cut her down to my size —  
 Nev - er wan - na go no - where I don't care for noth - in' no - how —

G

Kiss - es are sweet — but the kind can't be beat.  
 Sum - mer is gone — and the win - ter comes on.  
 Song — of des - pair — in the air ev - 'ry - where.

*marc.*  
*l.h.*

D7    G    Dim    G    Dim    G    Dim    G

Are the kind I got got from my lov - in' man —  
 Oh the night is long, and the shiv - ry wind moans —  
 Can't go an - y place but there laugh - in' at me —

G

How — can I work — can I eat — can I sleep.  
 Wh'oll — keep me warm — now that my — man is gone.  
 They — all de - clare — that my man — gave me air.

*marc.*  
*l.h.*

D7 G G<sup>aug5</sup> C C7 G

When I'm think-ing of los - in' that lov-in' man. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Who will com-fort me and my chil-ly old bones. \_\_\_\_\_ I had a  
 And they're glad to see, see me in mis-e-ry \_\_\_\_\_

*mf*

G G7

man from Mem-phis made a fuss o-ver me, He was the kind I hat-ed to lose, —

C G Eb7 C G Dim G

Flew the coop — now I've got the MEM-PHIS BLUES, \_\_\_\_\_

D7 G Eb C G G7 C7 G

Flew the coop — now I've got the MEM-PHIS BLUES. \_\_\_\_\_