

HE WAS A FRIEND OF MINE

Words and music by Jim McGuinn

Ideally, these chords should be finger picked:

INTRO: A Asus4 A Asus4 A Asus4

A E D A Asus4 A Asus4
He _____ was a friend of mine
A E D A Asus4 A Asus4
He _____ was a friend of mine
A F#m D E
His killing had no purpose, no reason or rhyme
A E D A
He _____ was a friend of mine

He was in Dallas town
He was in Dallas town
From a sixth floor window a gunner shot him down
He died in Dallas town

He never knew my name
He never knew my name
Though I never met him, I knew him just the same
Oh, he was a friend of mine

A F#m D E
Leader of a nation for such a precious time
A E D A Asus4 A Asus4 A Asus4 A
Oh, he _____ was a friend of mine

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