Milk Cow Blues
(Kokomo Arnold original)

Words & Music:
Kokomo Arnold

This version of the song was the one most covered before The Kinks' recording of the Sleepy John Estes version in the early 1960s. After that, groups like Aerosmith preferred the more rocking Estes version to the original.

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Well, I woke up this morning and I looked out the door.
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I can tell that that old milk cow, I can tell the way she lowed.
C                                    G
Well, if you see my milk cow, please drive her on home.
D                     C                     G
'Cause, I ain't had no milk or butter since that cow's been gone.

Well, I tried to treat you right, baby, day by day.
Get out your little prayer book, get down on your knees and pray.
For you're gonna need, you're gonna need my help some day.
Well, then you're gonna be sorry for treating me this way.

Sail on, sail on, sail on, milk cow, sail on.
Sail on, sail on, sail on, milk cow, sail on.
You're gonna keep right on to sailing 'til you lose your happy home.

Well, good evening, don't that sun look good going down?
Well, believe me, don't that sun look good going down?
Well, don't that old moon look lonesome when your baby's not around?

Well, I tried everything to get along with you
I'm gonna tell you what I'm going do
I'm gonna quit my crying, I'm gonna leave you alone
If you don't believe I'm leaving You can count the days I'm gone
You ain't gonna see me, you ain't gonna see my sweet face no more.
Lord, you gonna be wondering, honey, where in this world I've gone.