When the shadows of life grow long. And you take stock of what you have done for mankind. Remember each has a part to play.

Makes no difference if you have not made it to the top. Just remember there is not another person on earth just like you.

If you have done what you liked to do, then count yourself lucky; you may be one of a few.

Go back and comb the years thru,
Take stock of your life as to the things that have happened to you.

Remember when you were small, and the days were long? How your family was the number one. And your folks kept an eye out for you as best they could.

You had a book shoved under your arm and off to school you went.

Oh, how long a year was and how slow time was spent. In the days when you walked to and from school. Except when there was a storm, you got a lift.

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To be part of school activities and to the games you went. To hollar and scream for your class team.
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The schools just didn't happen to be there.
The teachers spent years preparing to teach,
Of the things to be used in a life time you should know.

Finally it was high school, you were trying to grow-up now.
Some of the sports and school activities you would par take.
And you cheered those cute and pretty girls. That would cheer the team on.
You were trying to prepare for the life that would come.
You finally figured out the teachers were good people.
Doing their best to prepare you for things to come.
Finally the day would come for a choice of what you would like to be.
Was it on to college or did you think you knew all you need to know?
To do the thing in life you wanted to do.
Was there money for a higher education?
Could you work your way thru?
Did you have your eyes on the ball and know what you wanted to do?
Was your family the ones that raised you O.K.?
The time they had spent to give you a chance to make a
choice.
Some of us decided to follow in our Father and Family foot steps.
To do the things they loved to do.
To till the soil and work with mama nature to make things grow.
I always knew it wouldn't be easy, But boy what a life!
There just aren't anything that compares with the wonders of nature.
To prepare the soil and plant the seed to irrigate and wait.
Each seed planted in the good earth to start the wonder of nature work.
There can be no one who watches these miracles occure.
That does not develop a deep perspect for what God Almighty did for a seed.
To care for the plants as best you could.
To see the increase in numbers one seed can make.
To feed the people on earth today and times to come.

Then there is the livestock with their parts to play.
You cannot grow hogs, or cattle or any living animal.
Without you develop a deep respect for the wonder of nature.
Did you ever see a new born pig to the lunch counter go?
Or a wobbly calf get up to find a tit for natures great food to get milk?
Have you ever realized all growing things come from a seed?
It's time to stop and take a look---
Nature IS Grand.

To spend a lifetime doing what you wanted to do,
It's a great reward.
Each to his own callings do your best. That's all anyone can do.

Some peoples best is better than others, But when it boils down.
Doing your best is all anyone can do.
Over the years many things can happen to you.

There's times when nature is not kind.
One great thing about a crop it's all out doors.
The quirks of nature wind, rain, hail, frost, snow, and drought.
Are some of the things you have no controll over.
So you just hump up and take what comes.
No other choice do you have.

So after all these years you reflect,
What I did was it the thing to do?
Could I have been a Doctor or Engineer or some other kind of a career?
I have come to the conclusion,
The average guy ain't any smarter than me.
If he could do it so can I.
But do what you like to do.
Don't spend a life any other way.
Will add to your years.
So when I take a good look back thru the years.
I made my choice long, long ago.
If I had all to do over again you know,
I would have done the same damn thing.

There has been a reward in knowing what I have done,
Could be used by mankind in some sort of a way.
So I wouldn't change my views on life and nature.
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