

I'm a Rawhide guy By Dave Claus (December, 2016)

*As a teenager David was a resident at Rawhide Boys Ranch
for 21 months from Nov. 1973 to Aug. 1975*

Verse 1

Way back when I was younger, I was Breaking All the Rules.

Never listen to no one, authority meant fools!

I hated going to school and doing all the work.

I didn't care I was never there just acting like a jerk.

That's the way it was with everything I did.

I was gambling with my future something I never hid.

Verse 2

My folks the cops my teachers I had to believe.

Because they were telling me it's time for you to leave!

What was going to happen I just didn't know.

The court decided Rawhide is where I'm going to go.

They took me up to Rawhide and I could see.

Along with all the horses there were a lot of guys like me.

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Bridge

John and Jan Gillespie where in it from the start.

They got a lot of help from a quarterback named Bart!

They changed all their plans from what their lives would be.

Just to help a lot of guys, a lot of guys and me!

Guitar Break

Verse 3

After learning how to live it was time for me to go.

Took with me my life and with my faith I'll always know.

Because of John and Jan I'm the man I want to be.

I may have left the ranch but Rawhide never left me.

There always going to be there so special to see.

At our daughter's wedding they were sitting next to me!

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Verse 4

My life has been a blessing and I'll say that loud!

Great wife for over 30 years 2 kids that make me proud.

I know my time at Rawhide made me a better man.

I'm giving all the credit to God, John and Jan!

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