

## Gulf Coast Highway

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### Chord Guide

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| <b>32 1</b> | <b>134211</b> | <b>231</b> | <b>3 4</b> |
| C: x32010   | F: 133211     | Am: x02210 | G: 3x0003  |

Strum: B D U B D U w/alternating bass  
1 + 2 + 3 + 4 +

### Intro: Instrumental Chorus

**C** (2½) **F** (½) **C** (2)  
Gulf coast highway, he worked the rails  
**C** (2) **F** (2)  
He worked the rice fields with their cold dark wells  
**Am** **G** **C**  
He worked the oil rigs in the Gulf of Mexico  
**F** **C** **G** **C** (2)  
The only thing we've owned is this old house here by the road

### Chorus:

**Am** **G** **C**  
And when he dies he says he'll catch some blackbird's wing  
**F** **C** **G** **C** (2)  
And we will fly away to heaven come some sweet blue bonnet spring

**C** (2½) **F** (½) **C** (2)  
She walked through springtime when I was home  
**C** (2) **F** (2)  
The days were sweet, our nights were warm  
**Am** **G** **C**  
The seasons changed, the jobs would come, the flowers fade,  
**F** **C** **G** **C** (2)  
and this old house felt so alone when the work took me away

### Chorus:

**Am** **G** **C**  
And when she dies she says she'll catch some blackbird's wing  
**F** **C** **G** **C** (2)  
And we will fly away to heaven come some sweet blue bonnet spring

### Instrumental Verse and Chorus

**C** (2½) **F** (½) **C** (2)  
Highway 90, the jobs are gone

**C** (2) **F** (2)  
We kept our garden, we set the sun  
**Am** **G** **C**  
This is the only place on Earth blue bonnets grow  
**F** **C** **G** **C** (2)  
And once a year they come and go at this old house here by the road

**Chorus:**

**Am** **G** **C**  
And when we die we say we'll catch some blackbird's wing  
**F** **C** **G** **C** (2)  
And we will fly away to heaven come some sweet blue bonnet spring  
**Am** **G** **C**  
Yes when we die we say we'll catch some blackbird's wing  
**F** **C** **G** (ritard) **C** (2, hold second measure)  
And we will fly away to heaven come some sweet blue bonnet spring

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