

260 **MR BOJANGLES** - JERRY JEFF WALKER 27/09/20
(Neil Diamond Version)

INTRO

C, C, F, F, (x2)

Beat 1 2 & 3 &

VERSE 1

C Em Am C

Knew a man Bojangles and he danced for you

F G G7

In worn out shoes

C Em Am C

Silver hair, a ragged shirt and baggy pants

F G

The old soft shoe

F C E7 Am

He jumped so high, jumped so high

D G G7

Then he'd lightly touch down

VERSE 2

C Em Am C

Met him in a cell down in New Orleans, I was

F G G7

Down and out

C Em Am C

He looked to me to be the eyes of age

F G

As he spoke right out

F C E7 Am

He talked of life, talked of life

D G

He laughed, slapped his leg and stepped

CHORUS

Am G Am G
Mr Bojangles, Mr Bojangles
Am G C C C C
Mr Bojangles, dance

C/

Last chorus end with: dance

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VERSE 3

C Em Am C
He said his name Bojangles and he danced a lick
F G G7
'cross the cell
C Em Am C
Grabbed his pants, a better stance, and jumped so high
F G
Clicked his heels
F C E7 Am
Let go a laugh, let go a laugh,
D G G7
Shook-back his clothes all around (straight to verse 4)

VERSE 4

C Em Am C
He danced for those at minstrel shows and county fairs
F G G7
Throughout the South
C Em Am C
Spoke of tears of 15 years of how his dog and he
F G
Had travelled about
F C E7 Am
His dog up and died, he up and died
D G G7
After twenty years he still grieves

CHORUS

VERSE 5

C Em Am C
Said I dance now at every chance in honky-tonks
F G G7
For drinks and tips
C Em Am C
But most the time I spend behind these county bars
F G
'Cause I drinks a bit
F C E7 Am
Shook his head, and as he shook his head
D G
Heard someone ask please

CHORUS