# Working Man

Rita MacNeil 1988



**INTRO: / 1 2 3 4 / [F] / [F]**

It’s a **[F]** working man I am

And I’ve **[Bb]** been down under-**[F]**ground

And I **[F]** swear to God if I ever see the **[C]** sun **[C]**

Or for **[F]** any length of time

I can **[Bb]** hold it in my **[F]** mind

I **[F]** never again will **[C]** go down under-**[F]**ground **[F]**

At the **[F]** age of sixteen years

Oh he **[Bb]** quarrels with his **[F]** peers

Who **[F]** vowed they’d never see another **[C]** one **[C]**

In the **[F]** dark recess of the mines

Where you **[Bb]** age before your **[F]** time

And the **[F]** coal dust lies **[C]** heavy on your **[F]** lungs **[F]**

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Or for **[F]** any length of time

I can **[Bb]** hold it in my **[F]** mind

I **[F]** never again will **[C]** go down under-**[F]**ground **[F]**

At the **[F]** age of sixty-four

Oh he’ll **[Bb]** greet you at the **[F]** door

And he’ll **[F]** gently, lead you by the **[C]** arm **[C]**

Through the **[F]** dark recess of the mines

Oh he’ll **[Bb]** take you back in **[F]** time

And he’ll **[F]** tell you of the **[C]** hardships that were **[F]** had **[F]**

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God I **[F]** never again will **[C]** go down under-**[F]**ground **[F]**

God I **[F]** never again will **[C]** go down under-**[Bb]**ground **[Bb] / [F] / [F]↓**

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