I'd Rather be in Richmond in all the hail and rain

Than to be in Georgia wearing the ball and chain

I'd Rather be in Richmond in all the hail and rain Twice

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Doney, oh dear Doney, what makes you treat me so?
Caused me to wear the ball and chain and now my ankles sore.

I'm going to build me a scaffold on the mountain high,
So I can see those pretty gals as they go riding by.

My wife died a Friday night, Saturday she was buried,
Sunday was my courting day, and Monday I got married.

Chorus

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WAY DOWN THE OLD PLANK ROAD

Intro and Interlude

D7

Play Twice

** Substitute for 2 - 4 slide in Measure 5 & 9

Grandpa Jones YouTube
Way Down the Old Plank Road (mp3)

Capo 2 or tune to A to play along with Grandpa Jones