

## **Papa Was A Rolling Stone The Temptations**

It was the third of September.  
That day I'll always remember, yes I will.  
'Cause that was the day that my daddy died.  
I never got a chance to see him.  
Never heard nothing but bad things about him.  
Mama, I'm depending on you to tell me the truth.

And Mama just hung her head and said,  
"Son, Papa was a rolling stone.  
Wherever he laid his hat was his home.  
(And when he died) All he left us was alone."  
"Papa was a rolling stone, my son.  
Wherever he laid his hat was his home.  
(And when he died) All he left us was alone."

Well, well

Hey Mama, is it true what they say,  
that Papa never worked a day in his life?  
And Mama, some bad talk going around town  
saying that Papa had three outside children and another wife.  
And that ain't right.  
Hey, talk about Papa doing some store front preaching.  
Talked about saving souls and all the time leeching.  
Dealing in debt and stealing in the name of the Lord.

Mama just hung her head and said,  
"Papa was a rolling stone, my son.  
Wherever he laid his hat was his home.  
(And when he died) All he left us was alone."  
"Hey, Papa was a rolling stone.  
Wherever he laid his hat was his home.  
(And when he died) All he left us was alone."

Ugh

Hey Mama, I heard Papa called himself a jack of all trades.  
Tell me is that what sent Papa to an early grave?  
Folks say Papa would beg, borrow, steal to pay his bills.  
Hey Mama, folks say that Papa was never much on thinking.  
Spent most of his life chasing women and drinking.  
Mama, I'm depending on you to tell me the truth.

And Mama looked up with a tear in her eye and said,  
"Son, Papa was a rolling stone. (Well, well, well, well)  
Wherever he laid his hat was his home.  
(And when he died) All he left us was alone, lone, lone, lone, alone."  
"Papa was a rolling stone.  
Wherever he laid his hat was his home.  
(And when he died) All he left us was alone."

“I said, Papa was a rolling stone. Wherever he laid his hat was his home.  
(And when he died) All he left us was alone.”