

# Born Under A Bad Sign

by Booker T. Jones & William Bell

...and as performed famously by **Albert King**



from his grave marker...

"I'll Play the Blues for You"

## ALBERT NELSON KING

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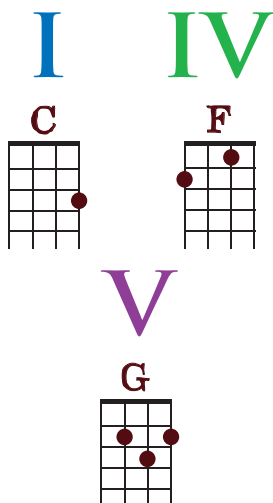
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Born under A Bad Sign in the Mississippi Delta, Albert King rose to greatness as a true giant of blues music

With his commanding presence, powerful voice, and stinging single-note guitar style

Albert King played the blues for the world

and forever changed the way the world would play the blues.



**C**  
Born under a bad sign, been down since I began to crawl  
**G** **F** **C**  
If it wasn't for bad luck, you know I wouldn't have no luck at all

**C**  
Hard luck and trouble is my only friend

**C**  
I been on my own, ever since I was ten

**C**  
Born under a bad sign, been down since I began to crawl

**G** **F** **C**  
If it wasn't for bad luck, you know I wouldn't have no luck at all

**C**  
I can't read, I didn't learn how to write

**C**  
My whole life has been one big fight

**C**  
Born under a bad sign, I been down since I began to crawl

**G** **F**  
If it wasn't for bad luck, I said I wouldn't have no luck at all

**G** **F**  
You know If it wasn't for bad luck, I wouldn't have no kind-a luck

**G** **F** **C**  
If it wasn't for real bad luck, I wouldn't have no luck at all

**C**  
You know wine and women is all I crave

**C**  
A big legged woman is gonna carry me to my grave

**C**  
Born under a bad sign, I been down since I began to crawl

**G** **F** **C**  
If it wasn't for bad luck, I tell ya' I wouldn't have no luck at all