

## Holding Things Together - Merle Haggard

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Holding things together Ain't no easy thing to do  
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When it comes to raisin' children It's a job, meant for two  
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Alice please believe me I can't go on and on  
**C G C**  
Holding things together With you gone.

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Today was Angie's birthday I guess it slipped your mind  
**C G**  
I tried twice to call you But no answer either time  
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The postman brought the package I mailed some days ago  
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I just signed it "love from mama" So Angie wouldn't know.

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