I SHOT THE SHERIFF

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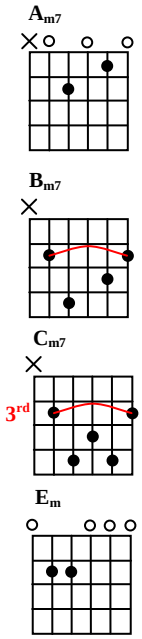

Chorus 1

Em Am7 Em
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot the deputy
Em Am7 Em
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot the deputy

Verse 1

Cm7 Bm7 Em Cm7 Bm7 Em
All around in my home town They're trying to track me down
Cm7 Bm7 Em Cm7 Bm7 Em
They say they want to bring me in guilty For the killing of the deputy
Cm7 Bm7 Em
For the life of a deputy But I say? **(play Main Riff)**

Chorus 2

Em Am7 Em
I shot the sheriff, but I swear it was in self-defense
Em Am7 Em
I shot the sheriff, and they say it is a capital offense

Verse 2

Cm7 Bm7 Em Cm7 Bm7 Em
Sheriff John Brown always hated me For what I don't know
Cm7 Bm7 Em Cm7 Bm7 Em
Every time that I plant a seed He said "Kill it before it grows"
Cm7 Bm7 Em
He said "Kill it before it grows" I say! **(play Main Riff)**

Chorus 3

Em Am7 Em
I shot the sheriff, but I swear it was in self-defense
Em Am7 Em
I shot the sheriff, but I swear it was in self-defense

Verse 3

Cm7 Bm7 Em Cm7 Bm7 Em
Freedom came my way one day And I started out of town, yeah
Cm7 Bm7 Em Cm7 Bm7 Em
All of a sudden I see Sheriff John Brown Aiming to shoot me down
Cm7 Bm7 Em
So I shot, I shot him down I say! **(play Main Riff)**

Chorus 4

Em Am7 Em
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot the deputy **(play twice)**

Verse 3

Cm7 Bm7 Em Cm7 Bm7 Em
Reflexes got the better of me And what is to be must be
Cm7 Bm7 Em Cm7 Bm7 Em
Every day the buckett falls to the well But one day the bottom will drop out
Cm7 Bm7 Em
But one day the bottom will drop out But I say **(play Main Riff)**

Chorus 5

Em Am7 Em
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot the deputy, oh no
Em Am7 Em
I shot the sheriff, but I did not shoot the deputy, oh no

Outro Cm7 Bm7 Em Cm7 Bm7 Em **(repeat and fade)**