

# Grandfather's Clock - Burl Ives

Bluegrass Classic, Key of **G<sup>b</sup>** My Key: \_\_\_\_

**INTRO:** **1** (STOP) **5** (STOP) **1 4** , **1 5 1**

My **1** Grandfather's **5** clock, was too **1** tall for the **4** shelf  
So it **1** stood ninety **5** years on the **1** floor  
It was **1** taller by **5** half, than the **1** old man him- **4** self  
Though it **1** weighed, not a **5** pennyweight **1** more  
It was **1** bought on the morn', of the **4** day that he was **1** born  
It was **1** always his **2** treasure and **5** pride, but

**CHORUS:** It **1** stopped (STOP) **5** short (STOP) **1** never to go a- **4** gain  
When the **1** old, **5** man **1** died

**REFRAIN:** Ninety **1** years without slumbering (4x:Tick tock)  
His **1** life seconds numbering (4x:Tick tock)

## CHORUS

In **1** watching its **5** pendulum, **1** swing to and **4** fro  
Many **1** hours, I **5** spent while a **1** boy  
And in **1** childhood and **5** manhood, the **1** clock seemed to **4** know  
And to **1** share, both his **5** grief and his **1** joy  
For it **1** struck twenty-four, when he **4** entered at the **1** door  
With a **1** blooming and **2** beautiful **5** bride, but

## CHORUS

**INSTRUMENTAL:** **1** (STOP) **5** (STOP) **1 4** , **1 5 1**

It **1** rang an al- **5** arm, in the **1** dead of the **4** night  
An al- **1** arm, that had **5** never been **1** rung  
And we **1** knew, that his **5** spirit, was **1** pluming for **4** flight  
That his **1** hour of de- **5** parture had **1** come  
Still the **1** clock kept the time, with a **4** soft and muffled **1** chime  
As we **1** silently **2** stood by his **5** side, but

## CHORUS

## REFRAIN

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1 = G <sup>b</sup>
2 = A <sup>b</sup>
4 = B
5 = D <sup>b</sup>