The Cat Came Back
(Chad Morgan version)

Words & Music:
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Bass line under chords for intro & transition from chorus to verse.  The third measure
is a 2/4 measure.  The rest of the song is in 4/4:
          A                    E         [E]                 A
D |-----|----2-----------2-|-2-----2-----|-2-4-2-4-2-0-----|----2--------2--|
A |-----|-0----------0----|----2-----2--|-------------4-2-|-0--------0----|
E |-0-4-|-------0-4-------|-------------|-----------------|------0-4------|
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            A
Now, Old Mr. Johnson had worries of his own:
A   E
He had an old yellow cat that wouldn't leave home.
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Tried everything he knew to do to keep the cat away,

Even took him up to Kakadoo and told him for to stay.

CHORUS:

But the cat came back the very next day.
I
The old cat came back; thought he was a goner.
IV   V   I
But the cat came back; he wouldn't stay away.

Now, the cat was a terror, so they thought it was best
To give it to a fella who was going out West.
Train ran around a curve, then it hit a broken rail.
Not a blessed soul aboard the train lived to tell the tale.

CHORUS:

Now, they threw him in the kennel, where the dog was asleep
And the bones of cats lay piled in a heap.
The kennel burst open and the dog ran outside,
His ears chewed off with holes in his hide.

CHORUS:

Oh, they snuck into the shop when the butcher wasn't 'round
And they threw him in the mincer where the meat was ground.
The old cat disappeared with a terrible shriek.
And the townsmen's meat tasted furry for a week.

CHORUS:

Now, the farmer on the corner said he'd shoot the cat on sight.
So, he loaded up his gun with nails and dynamite.
He waited in the garden 'til the cat came around,
Seven little pieces of the man was all they found.

CHORUS:

They put him on a rocket ship headed for to the stars.
Got a message back, saying: "Landed up on Mars".
Said, "The men are doing fine and the monkey & the rat."
But they couldn't find a trace of the old yellow cat.

CHORUS: *[repeat "He wouldn't stay away" 2x]*