



## OLD AND IN THE WAY

Old and in the Way is the self-titled first album by the [bluegrass](#) band [Old and in the Way](#). It was recorded 10/8/73 at the Boarding House in [San Francisco](#) by Owsley Stanley and Vickie Babcock utilizing eight microphones (four per channel) mixed live onto a stereo Nagra tape recorder.

*Refrain:*

**C D G C**

*Old and in the way, that's what I heard them say*

**Am C G**

*They used to heed the words he said, but that was yester-day*

**C D G C**

*Gold will turn to gray and youth will fade a-way*

**Am C G**

*They'll never care a-bout you while you're old and in the way*

**D G**

*Once I hear tell, he was happy*

**C G D**

*Had his share of friends and good times*

**C**

*Now, those friends have all passed on*

**G Em**

*He don't have no place called home*

**Am C G**

*Like the old dog gone a-stray, he's just old and in the way*

*Refrain*

**D G**

*When just a boy, he left his home*

**C G D**

*Thought he'd have the world on a string*

**C**

*Now the years have come and gone*

**G Em**

*Through the streets he walks a-lone*

**Am C G**

*Lookin' back to a better day, feelin' old and in the way*