

# My Lucille

B.B. King

The sound that you're listening to is from my guitar  
That's named Lucille. I'm very crazy about Lucille.  
Lucille took me from the plantation. Oh you might say,  
Brought me fame.  
I don't think I could just talk enough about Lucille.  
Sometime when I'm blue seem like Lucille try to help  
Me call my name.

I used to sing spirituals and I thought that this was  
The thing that I wanted to do. But somehow or other  
When I went in the army I picked up on Lucille, and  
Started singing blues.

Well, now when I'm paying my dues, maybe you don't  
Know what I mean when I say paying dues, I mean when  
Things are bad with me. I can always, I can always,  
You know like, depend on Lucille.

Sort of hard to talk to you myself. I guess I'll let  
Lucille say a few words and then.

You know, I doubt if you can feel it like I do. But  
When I think about the things that I've gone through,  
Like, well for instance, if I have a girlfriend and  
She misuses me, and I go home at night, maybe I'm  
Lonely, well not maybe, I am lonely, I pick up Lucille  
And it bring out those funny sounds that sound good to  
Me, you know. Sometime I get to the place where I  
Can't even say nothing.

Look out.

Sometime I think it's crying.

You know, if I could sing pop tunes like Frank Sinatra  
Or Sammy Davis Junior, I don't think I still could do  
It, 'cause Lucille don't wanna play nothing but the  
Blues. I think I'm, I think I'm pretty glad about  
That. Cause don't nobody sing to me like Lucille.  
Sing, Lucille.

Well, I'll put it like this. Take it easy, Lucille. I  
Like the way Sammy sings and I like the way Frank  
Sings, but I can get a little Frank, Sammy, a little  
Ray Charles, in fact all the people with soul in  
This.

A little Mahalia Jackson in there.

One more, Lucille!

Take it easy now.

You know, I imagine a lot of you wanna know, a lot of  
You wanna know why I call the guitar Lucille. Lucille  
Has practically saved my life two or three times. No  
Kidding, it really has.

I remember once I was in an automobile accident, and  
When the car stopped turning over, it fell over on  
Lucille, and it held it up off me, really, it held it  
Up off me. So that's one time it saved my life.

The way, the way I came by the name of Lucille, I was  
Over in Twist, Arkansas, I know you've never heard of  
That one, have you? And one night the guys started a  
Ball over there, you know, they started brawling, you  
Know what I mean. And the guy that was mad with his  
Old lady, when she fell over on this gas tank that was  
Burning for heat, the gas ran all over the floor.

And when the gas ran all over the floor, the building  
Caught on fire, and almost burned me up trying to save  
Lucille. Oh I, I imagine you're still wondering why I  
Call it Lucille, the lady that started that brawl that  
Night was named Lucille.

And that's been Lucille ever since to me. One more  
Now, Lucille.

Sounds pretty good to me. Can I do one more?

Look out, Lucille.

Sounds pretty good. I think I'll try one more. All  
Right.