He was born on a summer day
Nineteen sixty-one
And with the slap of a hand he had landed as an only son
Mother and father said what a lovely boy
We'll teach him what we learned
Oh yes just what we learned
We'll dress him up warmly and we'll send him to school
It'll teach him how to fight and be nobody's fool

Oh, oh what a lonely boy Oh what a lonely boy Oh what a lonely boy

In the summer of sixty-three
His mother brought him a sister
And she told him we must attend to her needs

She's so much younger that you
Well he ran down the hall and he cried
Oh how could his parents have lied
When they said he was the only son
He thought he was the only one

Oh, oh what a lonely boy Oh what a lonely boy Oh what a lonely boy

He left home on a winter day
Nineteen seventy-nine
And he hoped to find all the love he had
Lost in that earlier time
Well his sister grew up and she married a man
She gave him a son, oh yes a lovely son
They dressed him up warmly
They sent him to school
It taught him how to fight and be nobody's fool

Oh, oh what a lonely boy