## The Big One

## **Confederate Railroad**

It was a hot Sunday mornin'
Middle of July
The choir was a singin'
'Bout the sweet by and by

Everybody was a swayin'
And sweatin' in the heat
We all bowed our heads down
As the preacher took his seat

My sister and my brother stood next to my mother In the quiet at the close of the verse That's when daddy cut the big one At the Horn Lake Mississippi Missionary Baptist Church

My sister rolled her eyes back My brother bit his lip My cousin just behind us Whispered, "Hey, who let it rip?"

I stuck my face in my shirtsleeve Stared down at my shoes Lord, you could hear a pin drop As we stood there in the pew Heads were turnin', eyes were burnin'

Momma stuck her nose in her purse After daddy cut the big one At the Horn Lake Mississippi Missionary Baptist Church

He cut the big one
It was a stinker
Then he broke the silence
With a snicker
And us kids started laughin'
'Til I thought we was all gonna burst
After daddy cut the big one
At the Horn Lake Mississippi Missionary Baptist Church

He said, "The devil made me do it"

Momma said it was the liverwurst

And that's why daddy cut the big one

At the Horn Lake Mississippi Missionary Baptist Church