

Outrage for the Execution of Willie McGee

Goodnight, Texas

That old shoe was bound to walk now
That man right out the door
This old shoe was bound to walk now
Tell you what the reasons for
This old dollar bought me nothing
This dollar sick and frail
This dollar bought you something
Now your man is free on bail

(Now your man is free on bail)

Some old souls have the courthouse
To see the justice done
Some souls have the courthouse
To let the wrong man run
Some souls are bound for heaven
Some souls are bound for jail
Some souls can buy each other
And some souls are not for sale

Take the life of poor, black Willie
Take the life because you can
Take the life of poor, black Willie
And free another guilty man
Take the life of poor, black Willie
Take the life in Jesus' name
Take the life of poor, black Willie
And find another man to blame

Do you have no heartbeat?

Do you have no heartbeat?
Pounding inside?
Do you have no heartbeat?
Which to abide?
Do you have no heartbeat?
When you heard that he died?
Did you have no heartbeat?

Well you take the life of poor, black Willie
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(Do you have no heartbeat?)
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