

# Stagger Lee

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The night was clear and the ol' moon, Lord, was yellow  
And the leaves came tumbling  
They came tumbling down

Well, I was standing on the corner  
When I heard my bulldog bark  
He was barking at the two men who were gambling in the dark  
It was Stagger Lee and Billy  
Two men who're gambling late  
Stagger Lee threw seven, Billy swore that he threw eight

Stagger Lee told Billy  
"I can't let you go with that  
Ha, you have won all my money and my brand new Stetson hat"  
Stagger Lee went home (Ooh, ooh ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh ooh, ooh)  
Oh, he got his forty-four (Ooh, ooh ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh ooh, ooh)  
He said, "I'm going to the barroom just to pay that debt I owe" (Ooh,  
ooh ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh ooh, ooh)  
Yes I am, oh

Stagger Lee went to the barroom  
He stood across the barroom door  
He said, "Now nobody move", and he pulled out his forty-four  
Yes, he did  
"Stagger Lee," cried Billy (Stagger Lee, Stagger Lee)  
"Oh, please don't take my life (Stagger Lee, Stagger Lee)  
I got three little children and a very sickly wife"

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Yes it do, honey, huh, huh

Go, Stagger Lee, go, Stagger Lee  
Go, Stagger Lee, go, Stagger Lee  
Go, Stagger Lee, go (Stagger Lee)  
Go (Stagger Lee)

Go, Stagger Lee, go, Stagger Lee  
Go, Stagger Lee, go, Stagger Lee  
Go (Stagger Lee, go, Stagger Lee, go, Stagger Lee)

(Go, Stagger Lee, go, Stagger Lee)  
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