

Albert Erving

Porter Wagoner

On past the Riley Fruit Farm in the country and across the Gundy Hills to Jopin Holler
An old man lived alone like a prisoner serving I'd never met a man like Albert Erving
Albert never held a woman or a child you could see that loneliness had drove him wild
He said I ain't seen a soul in three long years and down his lonely face came the tears

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The floor in Albert's home was just the earth worn down
Where Albert's lonely feet had walked around

Everything in Albert's house was made by hand a picture carved in wood sat on a stand
Such beauty in a face I'd never seen carved just below the picture the name Kathleen
Albert held the picture close up to his face said my Kathleen adds beauty to this place
I asked him who she was then came the tears
He said she's not real she's just someone I've dreamed of all these years

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