

# Shining

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Y'all should have seen me  
When I was sixteen years old  
Had my hair hangin' free down my back  
It used to shine in the sun like gold.

Went eight years of grade school  
Four years of high school  
I was never sick one day  
And the kids that were with you in the first grade  
Were with you all the way

We'd go over to Augusta for a ball game  
We'd all go down to Daytona for the race  
We'd go over to the drive-in every Friday  
Shining in the sun like gold

Some cold winter morning, outside the school  
And the bell hadn't rung just yet  
We stand outside the gate, smoke a cigarette  
Brushin' the snow off our clothes, and lean against the wall  
Shining

And there wasn't no baby cryin'  
And there wasn't no laundry waitin' for me on the line  
If I didn't want to be alone, I didn't have to be alone  
All I had to do was shine  
Shining  
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Lord there must be something better  
Lord it just don't seem right  
To cook the same breakfast for the same man every morning  
Sleep with the same man every night  
For the rest of my life  
For the rest of my life