

House Where Nobody Lives

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1. There's a house on my block that's abandoned and cold
Folks moved out of it a long time ago
And they took all their things, and they never came back
Looks like its haunted, with the windows all cracked
And everyone calls it the house
The house where nobody lives

R: Once it held laughter, once it held dreams
Did they throw it away, do they know what it means
Did someone's heart break,
Or did someone do somebody wrong

2. Well the paint was all cracked, it was peeled off the wood
Papers were stacked on the porch where I stood
And the weeds had grown up just as high as the door
There were birds in the chimney and an old chest of drawers
Looks like no-one will ever come back to
The house where nobody lives

R: Once it held laughter...

3. So if you find someone, someone to have, someone to hold
Don't trade it for silver, don't trade it for gold
'Cos I have all of life's treasures, and they're fine and they're good
They remind me that houses are just made of wood
What makes a house grand oh it aint the roof or the doors
If there's love in a house, it's a palace for sure
Without love it aint nothin' but a house

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