Ballad Of Billy Jo Mckay

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My name's Billy Jo Mckay Just turned sixteen yesterday I'm gonna get the nerve one day To get outta here

My mom passed on three years ago they said It was cancer and it took her slow Ever since then I've been Sayin' no to my daddy and my tears

If you come down our road You gotta watch the bump Right there across from The garbage dump You can find me out back Jumpin' on the trampoline

When the springtime
We'll be skippin school
We sneak off
To the Cantrell's swimming pool
Man, you can't get much cooler
Me and my friend Darlene, yea
[Incomprehensible]

My granddaddy's hands are worn From fifty years of growin' corn Back behind the house where I was born, before he had to sell

My cousin Eddie He got shot in the Walmart parkin' lot This little town's changed a lot He said, "It hurt like hell"

My name's Billy Jo Mckay It's a hot Mississippi summer Saturday Daddy's on the farm porch With uncle Dave drinkin' Dixie beer

Sixteen years of being bored Window's open, forget the door Hope there's some gas in the Old man's Ford 'cause I'm outta here

I'm outta of here, I'm outta of here
I'm outta of here, I'm outta of here
See I'm outta of here
Maybe I'll go down to Biloxi
Maybe to new Orleans
Maybe Hotlanta