

Bruce Springsteen, The Big Muddy

Billy had a mistress down on A an 12th
She was that little somethin that he did for himself
His own little secret didnt hurt nobody
Come the afternoon hed take her wadin
Waist deep in the big muddy
Waist deep in the big muddy
You start out standing but end up crawlin

Got in some trouble and needed a hand from a friend of mine
This old friend he had a figure in mind
It was nothing illegal just a little bit funny
He said "Cmon dont tell me that the rich dont know
Sooner or later it all comes down to money"

And youre waist deep in the big muddy
Waist deep in the big muddy
You start on higher ground but end up crawlin

Well I had a friend said "You watch what you do
Poison snake bites you and youre poison too"

How beautiful the river flows and the birds they thing
But you and I were messier things
Theyre aint no one leavin this world buddy
Without their shirttail dirty
Or their hands bloody

Waist deep in the big muddy
Waist deep in the big muddy
You start on higher ground but end up somehow crawlin
Waist deep in the big muddy