

Jerry Lee Lewis, Black Mama

Left at the door of a stranger
I was left there in the middle of the night
left by someone who couldn't keep me
but what she did turned out just right

in a little southern town by a river
in a building called sheer croppers shack
lord i was raised from a babe to manhood
by a mama who was black

to me she was my mama
though blood didn't do this
she had love that was more than sufficient
from a mama who was black

I never knew brothers and sisters
I never had a dad to call my own
but as long lord as i can remember
black mama she made a good home

Im sure that most folks it looked different
when they saw me upon her old knee
for as I grew up and we traveled around
when they saw black mama and me

to me she's still my mama
I know blood I could never do that
but I had love that was more than sufficient
by a mama who was black

I recieved a message of sadness
I ran to her side right away
but before I could speak with her
black mama passed away

today for me neighbors is a sad one
as I stand with my tears running free
her life here on earth is over
god took black mama from mama

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but I had love that was more than sufficient
for a mama who was black