John D. Loudermilk, Darling Jane

Jane and I'd been married for only a week And were honeymooning down off Miami Beach We took our rented cabin crusier way out past the reef Doing as we pleased just my Jane and me I was on the starboard bow baiting a hook Jane was taking a sunbath and reading a book And all at once the southern sky grew dark and it started to rain The anchor chain began to strain the breeze became a hurricane I was panic stricken so I quickly ran below And tried to reach the coast guard on the short wave radio I sent SOS's but no answer ever came I called to Jane but the wind and rain had given Jane to the hurricane All night long I searched through roaring waves and driving rain And over a hundred mile per hour winds but all in vain I was torn and bleeding and I cursed the hurricane Used the name of God in vain I was insane from losin' Jane Now the morning sun is hot the seas are calm once more And the breeze is gentle as I head the boat for shore My eyes can't help the crying and my heart can't help the pain That's in my brain from losing Jane my everything my darling Jane