Johnny Cash, I'm Free From The Chain Gang No

(Lou Hersher / Saul Kelin)

I got rid of the shackles that bound me and the guards that were always around me
There were tears on the mail mother sent me in jail
But I'm free from the chain gang now
Back home I was known and respected then one day I was wrongly suspected
So they put me in chains in a cold freezin' rain but I'm free from the chain gang now

[Guitar]

All the years I was known by a number how I kept my mind is a wonder
And the bare prison cell that was one step from hell
But I'm free from the chain gang now
I prayed that the gossip will spare me when I return to the one I will marry
Like a bird in a tree I got my liberty and I'm free from the chain gang now