Dr. Hook, Crazy Rosie

(Hazel Smith)

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When it comes to ladies, Rosie was first class Her eighteen years had been the very best 'Til she met that traveller, she called darling James Papa said he weren't fit to speak Rosie's name Papa called him Jesse James

The talk was darling James took his own life And Rosie thought she'd have her darling's child But papa made plans to hide Rosie's shame Papa sent her away to save the family name Yeah he gave the son of Jesse James

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They say sometimes a tear comes to Rosie's eye Though she never has spoke since they took her child For twenty years of silence papa was to blame 'Cause Rosie knows that papa took the life of darling James Papa saved the family name

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