

# Hank Williams Jr., I Uncle John

I'd like to tell a story if you folks wouldn't mind  
But this one is true and it really happened in that little hometown of mine  
There was a kind old colored feller who the folks was always fond  
I don't even remember what his last name was we always just called him Uncle John  
Why I remember when I was little I used to go and see him nearly every day  
Just to sit and hear his stories an' while some time away  
Why he was in his height of Glory when there was children around his feet  
I've seen him laugh right out loud and say Lord God your children show is sweet  
I know in his big wide world there must be kind folks by the bushel  
But I just believe that in this one old man Lord put something special  
Why I've seen times when folks was sick that the old man would walk for miles  
Just to offer his assistance and try to help out a little while  
He was always doin' things like that givin' when he couldn't afford  
Funny thing was though he never did ask for no pay  
Said he was always a workin' for the Lord  
Now Uncle John have the sickness that he didn't know about  
Folks didn't know whether to tell him or just let him live without  
But then one day they decided they oughta let him know  
So they asked Doc boy if he go tell him and he said yeah he'd go  
He found old John sittin' in his homemade rockin' chair  
Thumbin' thru a worn out Bible and readin' little scriptures here and there  
The Doc was scared and he was nervous cause he didn't know quite where to start  
Don't you know his conscience fought him he come to break the old man's heart  
But he gathered up his courage and he found the words to say  
Uncle John the Lord's comin' and he's gonna take you away  
Why there must've been a choir of angels started singin' in that old man's ears  
For a great big smile come on him and his eyes broke out in tears  
And he said why Doctor boy that's the most glorious news I ever heard  
I've been livin' almost eighty five years now just to hear them blessed words  
Now to know that he's finally callin' me to leave this earthly sod  
Why Doc I've just been livin' this old life so's I can get to meet my God