

John Prine, The Accident

It was a 4-way stop dilemma
we all arrived the same time
I yielded to the man to the right of me
he yielded right back to mine

Well the yield went around, and around, and around,
'til Pamela finally tried
just then the man in the light blue sedan
hit Pamela on the passenger side

chorus:

They don't know how lucky they are,
they could have run into that tree
got struck by a bolt of lightning and raped by a minority

Pamela hit her head on the mirror
Mrs. Walker got a bump on the knee
The man hit himself in the face and said
"Why does this happen to me?"

and the neighbors came out
and they gathered about
and said "Hey! Who hit who anyway?"
and the police arrived at a quarter to five
and pronounced all the victims okay

chorus

but they don't know how lucky they are...