

Wilburn Brothers, Little Johnny From Down The Street

Who threw a brick through my front glass little Johnny from down the street
Who's been diggin' up the courthouse grass little Johnny from down the street
Who's been pullin' little Janie's pigtails who filled the whole street up with nails
Turned the neighbors thirty shades of pale little Johnny from down the street

I tried to find and whip that kid but he ran off somewhere and hid
He blames other kids for the things he did little Johnny from down the street
Who turned the garter snake loose in school who put frogs in the swimmin' pool
Who taught the other kids how to cuss and put little brother on the interstate bus
Little Johnny from down the street

(steel)

Who's that boy that's all grown up little Johnny from down the street
Who fell head over heels in love little Johnny from down the street
Wouldn't you know it's the same little girl that used to cry when he pulled her curls
Now Janie thinks Johnny is her whole world little Johnny from down the street

Then orders from his country came he pulled out on the midnight train
Now Janie's cryin' with a different pain for little Johnny from down the street
Who is it everybody misses now the neighborhood's quiet where it used to be loud
Who is it won't be coming home died in a foreign land all alone
Little Johnny from down the street

For people like me he gave his life he made the biggest sacrifice
Never had a chance to make Janie his wife
Little Johnny from down the street little Johnny from down the street