Graduation Day

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I knew this kid named Alberto Funny style cat and his girl looked like a turtle Not Lisa Turtle just a turtle High school track he ran the hurtle His peers shed tears his senior year when he got murdered Now Alberto was your average day student A student participated in class, never came late And never true and his family was picture perfect His older sister was prom queen His dad a decorator vet from Vietnam scene His mother was Dear Abby, an ordinary house wife Like clock would always have dinner on the table at five But Alberto had a monster, he kept under his bed And instead of letting it out, he just got a girlfriend Instead, she knew something was funny she could tell By his behavior or the way he would wave his hand When he would wave to her, she never though anything of it And just shoved it in the closet until the day the word dripped out Like leaky faucet, Alberto was homosexual, I ain't have nothing against it But little Ronny Johnson and all his football player friends Did they always picking bad calling him fag and such, and such And couldn't wait to get to gym and really bust his nuts? The gym teacher never cared he'd join in on the action Make silly gestures and compare him to Michael Jackson Alberto couldn't take it, he just stopped showing up And whenever he walked the malls, he just felt like throwing up And at night he would cry and cry, and ask God, why? Like God, why the fuck I had to be born this way? God would reply, "Son you got to show them your more then just gay" See, he had dreams of being a track star until the night The gay jokes went way to far Ronny begged for his forgiveness And invited him to a party 'cause his parents went away And left him plenty of Bacardi, Alberto kindly accepted He was finally accepted, accepted was all deception And all unprotected it was a play rite a scam to get him in The right place verbally degrade him and rearrange his pretty face The plan would go swiftly, they started calling him Sissy When plus turned into fifty they beat him until he was dizzy Now, Alberto lie in blood while his peers look on him in fear

Needless to say it was one big tragedy, and how was Ronny Gonna explain it to his family while they were on vacation? Taking in sights he got wasted killed a kid that night Don't be a saver, but hate the way they do Just utilize the gifts god gave you I knew this girl named Maria right and talented With aspirations to be a big superstar what a great idea Until she fell off and started listening to her peers Oh dear, now, Maria was your typically obnoxious analytical Head strong rebel flipping off the principles single mother Home structure she looked at the baby brother while the moms work Two jobs just to buy supper pops was a struggling musician Troubled man, juggling heroin addiction, he overdosed And left a notice of eviction and cradle record in the kitchen And a little angel with a keen sense of sound who saw silence In the record she found and she would stay up late at night Reciting songs to herself in the pale moonlight Writing wrongs that her pops made promise to mom She would never go the same route turns out, Karie Ann had other plans Her inter man Ronny, most popular, second best to nobody Homecoming queen vs. ugly duckling and the story ends the same way Okay, Ronny?s parents went away for a couple of days And told him no drinking, what the fuck was they thinking? Maria was oblivious that her boyfriend had already been invited So, when Karie Ann asked, she got all excited like Damn now, I've got something to look forward to And so she thought, Maria kindly accepted She was finally accepted, except it was all bullshit Now pay attention, Karie Ann hated Maria 'Cause she could sing and so she scored a bag of heroin But the craziest thing was, Maria never touched drugs She did that night and when her man was getting beat She was nowhere in sight, now her boyfriend lay in blood And she had no idea Alberto passed away and she got hooked Her senior year, needless to say it was one big tragedy And I hate to break it, but it doesn't end happily A warm day in May, the sky was so beautiful Karie Ann died in a crash leaving the funeral

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