## **Faces in the Hall**

## **Gym Class Heroes**

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 hurdle

His peers shed tears senior year when he got murderedNow Alberto was your average A student

Participated in class, never came late and never truant

His family was picture perfect

His older sister was prom queen

His dad a decorated vet from the Vietnam teamHis mother was Dear Abby, an ordinary house wife

Like clockwork, always had dinner on the table at 5

But Alberto had a monster he kept under his bed

Instead of letting it out he just got a girlfriend insteadShe knew something was funny, she could tell by his behavior

Or the way he flamboyantly shook his hand

When he would wave to her

She thought nothing of it and just shoved it in the closet

Until the day that word dripped out like leaky faucetAlberto was homosexual, I ain't have nothing against it

But little Ronnie Johnson and all his football player friends did

They'd always pick and nag, call him, "Fag" and such and such

And couldn't wait to get to gym so they could really bust his nutsThe gym teacher never cared

He'd just join in on the action, he'd make silly gestures

And compared him to Micheal Jackson

Alberto couldn't take it

He'd just stop showing up and whenever he walked them halls

He just felt like throwin' upAnd night he would cry and cry and ask, "God why?"

Like, "God, why the fuck'd I have to be born this way?"

God would reply, "Son, you've gotta show 'em you're more than gay"

'Cause he had dreams to be a track star

Until that warm April night them gay jokes went way too farRonnie 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

Except it was all deception and left them all unprotectedIt was a plan, Ronnie had scammed to get him in the right place

Verbally degrade and rearrange his pretty face

The plan would go swiftly, they started calling him sissy

One punch turned into fifty, they beat him till he was dizzyNow Alberto lie in blood while his peers look on in

fear

He took his last breath and passed away his senior year

Needless to say it was one big tragedy

And how was ronnie gonna explain to his familyWhile they were on vacation taking in sights

He got wasted and killed a kid that night

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Just utilize the gifts that God gave youI knew this girl named Maria, bright and talented

With aspirations to be a big superstar

What a great idea

Until she fell off and started to listening to her peers

Oh, dearNow maria was your typical obnoxious

Analytical head strong rebel

Flippin' off the principal, single mother home structure

She looked after baby brother while mom worked two jobs

Just to buy supperPops was a struggling musician, troubled man

Juggling family and heroin addiction

He overdosed and left a notice of eviction

And a crate of records on the table in the kitchenAnd a little angel with a keen sense of sound

Who saw silence in the records she found

And she would stay up late at night

Reciting songs to herself under pale moonlightRighting wrongs that her pops made

Promised her mom she'd never go that same route

Turns out Carrie Anne had other plans

Her and her man Ronnie most popular

Second best to nobodyHomecoming queen versus ugly duckling

And the story ends the same way

Okay, Ronnie's parents went away for a couple of days

And told him, "No drinking"

What the fuck were they thinking? Maria was oblivious that her boyfriend had already been invited

So when Carrie Anne asked she got all excited

Like, "Damn now I got something to look forward to"

Or so she thought, Maria kindly accepted

She was finally accepted, except it was all bullshitNot pay attention

Carrie Anne hated Maria 'cause she could sing

So she scored a bag of heroin but the craziest thing was

Maria never touched drugs, she did that nightAnd when her man was getting beat she was nowhere in sight

Now her boyfriend lie in blood and she had no idea

Alberto passed away and she got hooked her senior year

Needless to say it was one 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

Carrie Anne died in a crash leaving the funeral

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