## **Fore She Was Mama**

## **Clay Walker**

Bout ten years old, hide and seek

I found me in the closet

Ready or not I stumbled on

And opened up that box of Yearbooks, letters, black and whites

A hundred, maybe more

Next thing I know my brothers and me

Got em scattered on the floor, yeahIt was one of her, flippin the bird

Sittin on a Harley

And a few with some hairy hippie dude

Turns out his name was CharlieHer hair, her clothes, her drinkin, smokin

Had us boys confused

Ill never forget the day

Us nosy kids got introducedTo mama 'fore she was mama

In a string bikini in Tijuana

Wont admit she smoked marijuana

But I saw mama 'fore she was mamaWe put that box right where it was

And never said a word

But growin up got hard just tryin

Not to picture herIn anything but aprons, dresses

Mini-vans and church

Oh and daddy would have whooped our butts

For diggin up that dirtOn mama 'fore she was mama

In a string bikini in Tijuana

She wont admit she smoked marijuana

But I saw mama 'fore she was mamaWe laugh and hang it over her head

Right above her halo

Her face turns red when we bring up

That tie-dyed WinnebagoShe runs and hides and still denies

That hip high rose tattoo

She burned that box of forget-me-nots

When she found out we knewAbout mama 'fore she was mama

In a string bikini in Tijuana

Wont admit she smoked marijuana

But that was mama 'fore she was mamaAnd theres that one down in the Bahamas Oh, but that was mama 'fore she was mamaYeah, caught her red handed

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