The Night the Lights Went Out In Georgia

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He was on his way home from Candletop
Been two weeks gone and he thought he'd stop
At Web's and have him a drink for he went home to her
Andy Wo-Lo said hello
He said "Hi what's new"

And Wo said "Sit down I got some bad news that's gonna hurt" Said I'm your best friend and you know that's right

But your young bride ain't home tonight

Since you been gone she's been seeing that Amos boy Seth

Now he got mad and he saw red

Andy said boy don't you lose your head

Cause to tell you the truth I've been with her myselfThat's the night that the lights went out in Georgia

That's the night that they hung an innocent man

Well Don't trust your soul to no back woods Southern lawyer

Cause the judge in the town's got bloodstains on his handsAndy got scared and left the bar

Walking on home cause he didn't live far you see

Andy didn't have many friends and he just lost him one

Brother thought his wife must've left town

So he went home and finally found the only thing

Daddy had left him and that was a gun

He went off to Andy's house

Slipping through the back woods quiet as a mouse

Came upon some tracks too small for Andy to makeHe looked through the screen at the back porch door

And he saw Andy lying on the floor

In a puddle of blood and he started to shake The Georgia patrol was making their rounds

So he fired a shot just to flag em down

A big bellied sheriff grabbed his gun and said

"Why'd you do it?"The judge said guilty on a make-believe trial

Slapped the sherriff on the back with a smile

Said supper's waiting at home and I gotta get to itThat's the night the lights went out in Georgia

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Cause the judge in the town's got bloodstains on his handsWell, they hung my brother before I could say

The tracks he saw while on his way

To Andy's house and back that night were mine

And his cheatin wife had never left town

That's one body that'll never be found

You see little sister don't miss when she aims her gunThat's the night the lights went out in Georgia
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