Roughneck (with The Carter Family)

Johnny Cash

Born to be a roughneck
I'll never amount to nothin'
Pullin' case and layin' pipe
Is hard laborWell, I was born in a boomer shack
'Bout a half mile from town
Papa was a driller on a wildcat crew
And my mama never was aroundI learn to cuss when I was two
And fight when I was three
And by the time I was five there was no kid alive
Could ever get the best of meBorn to be a roughneck
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Is hard laborWell, I started workin' like a regular man
When I was just about knee high
Skinning the knuckles with my two bare hands
But they never heard me cryI remember walkin' down the road
And hearin' somebody say
He was born to live a rougneck's life
And he's never gonna change his waysBorn to be a roughneck
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