I Wish I Could See Bakersfield

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I was takin' a walk through a small country city

Just seein' what there was to see

I sat down to read a historical marker

When I felt someone sit down by meHe leaned on the tank that was helping his breathing

Said, "It's bad when your body is gone"

I said, "This is sure a nice town that you've got here"
He said, "Yeah, but there's no place like home"I wish I could see Bakersfield
Where the oil wells are pumpin', the oranges are bloomin'

And the grapevine winds down from the hill And I close my eyes I can touch the clear skies

At the corner where I used to live

Oh I wish I could see BakersfieldHe said, "You don't ever know where life's gonna lead you

When you go ramblin' off down the track"

Sometimes I wish I'd never left California

Then I couldn't want to go backHe said, "You know, you know

I used to be a well-known country singer

Made my first record back in 1953

At one time Buck Owens was my lead guitar player

And ol' Hag once wrote a song about me"I wish I could see Bakersfield

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