What's Your Mama's Name Child

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What's your mama's name, child, what's your mama's name? Thirty some odd years ago a young man came to Memphis

Asking bout a rose that used to blossom in his world

People never took the time to mind the young man's questions

Till one day they heard him ask a little green eyed girlWhat's your mama's name, child, what's your mama's name?

Does she ever talk about a place called New Orleans

Has she ever mentioned a man named Buford Wilson

What's your mama's name, child, what's your mama's name?Twenty some odd years ago a drunkard down in Memphis

Lost a month of life and labored to the country jail

Just because he asked a little green eyed girl a question

And offered her a nickel's worth of candy if she'd tellA year and some odd days ago an old man died in Memphis

Just another wayward soul the county had to claim
Inside the old man's ragged coat they found a faded letter
That said you have a daughter and her eyes are Wilson greenWhat's your mama's name, child?

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