The Family

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Sister took to black wheel nights and Mama cried alone

Brother, he took up preaching and the bank man took the farm

They came and took my mom away, she can't do herself no harmAnd I took a train outta there

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