

# Little Man

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I remember walkin' 'round the court square sidewalk  
Lookin' in windows at things I couldn't want  
There's Johnson's hardware and Morgan's jewelry  
And the old Lee King's apothecary  
They ware the little man, the little man  
I go back now and the stores are empty  
Except for an old coke sign dated 1950  
Boarded up like they never existed  
Or renovated and called historic districts  
There goes the little man, there goes the little man  
Now the court square's just a set of streets  
That the people go round but they seldom think  
'Bout the little man that built this town  
Before the big money shut them down  
And killed the little man, oh the little man  
He pumped your gas and he cleaned your glass  
And one cold rainy night, he fixed your flat  
The new stores came where you do it yourself  
You buy a lotto ticket and food off the shelf  
Forget the little man, forget about that little man  
He hung on there for a few more years  
He couldn't sell Slurpees, he wouldn't sell beer  
Now the bank rents the station to a man down the road  
And they sell velvet Elvis and second-hand clothes  
There goes little man, there goes another little man  
Now the court square's just a set of streets  
That the people go 'round but they seldom think  
'Bout the little man that built this town  
Before the big money shut them down  
And killed the little man, oh the little man  
Now the stores are lined up in a concrete strip  
You can buy the whole world in just one trip  
And save a penny 'cause it's jumbo size  
They don't even realize  
They're killin' the little man, oh the little man  
And the court square's just a set of streets  
That the people go 'round but they seldom think  
'Bout the little man that built this town  
Before the big money shut them down

And killed the little man, oh the little man  
It wasn't long ago when I was a child  
An old black man came with his mule and his plow  
He broke the ground where we grew our garden  
Back before we'd all forgotten  
About the little man, the little man  
Long live the little man  
God bless the little man

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