

# Billy

## Lou Reed

Billy was a good friend of mine  
We grew up together ever since we were nine  
We went to school, he was my best friend  
And I thought our friendship would never end  
In high school he played football  
And me, I didn't do anything at all  
He made touch-downs, while I played pool  
And no one could figure out which one of us was the fool  
Then we both went to collage  
He studied medicine while I studied foliage  
He got a's and I got d's  
He was going for his ph.d.  
Then I decided to drop out  
Things were getting a little too hot  
Billy stayed there, became an intern and then a doctor  
Then war broke out and he had to go  
But not me, I was mentally unfit, or so they say, so, so  
When he came back, he wasn't quite the same  
His nerves were shot, but not me  
Last time I saw him, I couldn't take it anymore  
He wasn't the billy I knew, it was like talking to a door

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