Lucille

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In a bar in Toledo across from the depot On a barstool she took off her ring I thought I'd get closer so I walked on over I sat down and asked her, her name When the drinks finally hit her she said, "I'm no quitter" But I finally quit livin' on dreams I'm hungry for laughter and here ever after I'm after whatever the other life brings In the mirror I saw him and I closely watched him I thought how he looked out of place He came to the woman who sat there beside me He had a strange look on his face Now his big hands were calloused, he looked like a mountain For a minute I thought, I was dead But he started shakin' his big heart was breakin' And he turned to the woman and said "You picked a fine time to leave me, Lucille With four hungry children and crops in the field I've had some bad times, lived through some sad times But this time the hurtin' won't heal You picked a fine time to leave me, Lucille After he left us I ordered more whiskey I thought how she'd made him look small And from the lights of the barroom to the rented hotel room We walked without talkin' at all Now she was a beauty but when she came to me She must have thought I'd lost my mind 'Cause I couldn't hold her the words that he told her Kept comin' back time after time "You picked a fine time to leave me, Lucille With four hungry children and crops in the field And I've had some bad times, I lived through some sad times But this time the hurtin' won't heal You picked a fine time to leave me, Lucille" "You picked a fine time to leave me, Lucille With four hungry children and crops in the field I've had some bad times, lived through some sad times This time the hurtin' won't heal You picked a fine time to leave me, Lucille"

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