Frankie's Man, Johnny

Johnny Cash

Well now Frankie and Johnny were sweethearts

They were true as a blue blue sky

He was a long-legged guitar picker with a wicked wanderin' eye

But he was her man nearly all of the timeWell Johnny he packed up to leave her but he promised he'd be back

He said he had a little pickin' to do a little farther down the track

He said "I'm your man I wouldn't do you wrong"Well Frankie curled up on the sofa thinkin' about her man

Far away the couples were dancing to the music of his band

He was Frankie's man he wasn't doin' her wrongThen in the front door walked a redhead Johnny saw her right

She came down by the bandstand to watch him while he played
He was Frankie's man but she was far awayHe sang every song to the redhead she smiled back at him
Then he came and sat at her table where the lights were low and dim
What Frankie didn't know wouldn't hurt her noneThen the redhead jumped up and slapped him
She slapped him a time or two

She said "I'm Frankie's sister and I was checking up on you"

If you're her man you better treat her rightWell the moral of this story is be good but carry a stick

Sometimes it looks like a guitar picker just can't tell what to pick

He was Frankie's man and he still ain't done her wrong

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