Riverboat

The Wilders

Well I spent the better part of my life on a Mississippi riverboat
I used to be known from coast to coast as the slickest gambler afloat
I've dealt the cards from Minnesota to the harbor in New Orleans
I made a lotta big money on the riverboat I loved a lotta pretty riverboat queens
Riverboat riverboat I love your whistle's wail
I wish I was back on the riverboart stead of in the Memphis jail
[banjo]
Oh a big man got on the riverboat our last time in St Paul
He had a lotta money but his luck went bad and the riverboat won it all
He said I dealt from the bottom of the deck and he pulled a shiny knife
But before that gambler lunged at me my 44 took his life
Riverboat riverboat...
[banjo]
Well they came on the boat and they took me to jail when we got to Tennessee
A gamblin' man has very few friends guess nobody cared for me
So I might be here for a many long years but if I ever get out
I'm gonna head straight for that levee and get me
S riverboat headin' south
Riverboat riverboat...
Stead of in the Memphis jail

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