Ragin' Cajun

Charlie Daniels Band

From a town in Louisiana on the wrong side of the tracks

Came a rowdy ragin' Cajun by the name of Rupernac

He was harder than a hickory long and thinner than a rail

He was faster than a Copperhead and he weren't afraid of hellHe turned eighteen in the Parish courthouse facin' ten to life

About some altercation in a beer, joint with a knife

He said, "Judge, I mean your honor, I hope you'll understand

But if it happened here today, I think I'd do it all again'Cause you don't get up in my face, you don't call my mama names

You don't whistle in my kitchen, you don't pull my big dog's chain

I don't mean no disrespect, but I been stubborn, all my life"He'd been two years in prison when his cousin Jay came down

Said his sister was in trouble in some far off Northern town

He broke out of jail that night and left a note behind

I'll see ya'll in a week or so, till then I'm hard to findHe found her in a tavern up in west side Buffalo

Gave her a one way ticket home and pushed her out the door

Said, "I'm lookin' for the man who done my little sister harm

He's a soul destroying punk that stuck a needle in her arm"And some pimp back in the corner, started makin' himself small

But he grabbed him by the collar and he pushed him to the wall

He said you try to run away, you gone regret it, all your life

The Cajun started laughin' when the pimp pulled out a knifeHe said I oughta kill ya, but I'm gonna spare your life

With one sledgehammer fist he knocked him sprawlin' on the floor

And then he kicked him in his forked end and he headed for the doorHe walked on down the sidewalk and hit the Southern trail

He went back to Louisiana and he walked into the jail

He said, "I had some business up above the bunkie line

But my debts have all been settled and I've come to do my timeAnd I hope I didn't cause no trouble, I wasn't tryin' to run away

But a feller owed me somethin' and I had to make him pay Besides I'm kind of proud, I been a coonass all my life"

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