

Frankie and Johnny

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Frankie and Johnny were sweethearts
Oh what a couple in love
Swore to be true to each other
True as the stars above
He was her man but he done her wrongFrankie went down to the corner
A bucket of beer to buy
The bartender told her that Johnny
Was making love to Nellie Bly
He was her man he was doing her wrongFrankie went home in a hurry
She didnt go there for fun
Frankie went home just to get a hold
Of her own .44
He was her man but he done her wrongFrankie peeked in on the party
She got a surprise when she saw
Nellie and Johnny making love
Sipping something through a straw
She caught her man, he was doing her wrongJohnny in a panic mounted the staircase
Screaming Oh, Frankie please dont do it!
She pulled that trigger and rooty-toot-toot
Three times she did shoot
He was her man but he done her wrongNow bring round your crpe and your flowers
Bring round your rubber-tired hack
Taking my man to the graveyard
I aint gonna bring him back
He was my man but he done me wrongNow this story has no moral
And this story has got no end
This story just goes to show you women
That there aint no good in men
He was her man but he done her wrong

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