## **Heathen Mother**

## **Hurricane #1**

Standing on the corner

I'm proud I whistle free

Change is in my pocket, feel good timesLaughing with amusement

As the sun is on my back

I hear that train that's coming down the tracksI'm waiting for the woman

That knows just what to do

And cure me of an aching, ruptured back

Shes the one that rode the mule

And back from San Antonio

And placed the dying man upon the rackShe asked if I was he who needed all the help

I just nodded and politely turned away

No need to be embarrassed

Said the woman from the train

I know lots of men who'd run and turn awayNow you need my help and I will give it

Yes you need my help and I will show itShe laid me on a bed

And she chanted all the names

Of the gods she knew from way back long ago

I put my head down easy

And sniggered to myself

And asked her if she knew the one called GodI don't recognize the name

But I guess it's worth a try

There's nothing that these gods cannot doSome call me Heathen Mother

Some call me Nicky Jane

Some even call me devil that is pureAnd I always get the job done

With my heathen hands, I heal

Always get the job done

With my healing hands, I feelI stumbled from the bed

And felt my back at ease

And counted all the pennies that I had

She said I don't want your pennies

It's your soul that I just need

And give it to the man that's on the rackAlways get the job done

With my heathen hands, I heal

'cos I always get the job done

With my healing hands, I feelNow you need my help and I will give it

Now you need my help and I will show it

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