

## Big B "Before I Leave This Place"

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Little Tommy enlisted in the army
Even though he never been away from his mommy
Said he wanted to see the world
Tell his family and friends good bye
Gave a big kiss to his girl
Now he's off to boot-camp
Never did much with his life but now here's his big
chance

He sits and shines his shoes and creases his pants
He knows his weapon inside and out
His parents worry about the risk of war
But he acts like they don't know what there talkin' about
Sent out in combat on the front line ready die
With a tear in his eye he says God I didn't realize
It would end like this and this is what he said with
His last breath

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Old man Jones lived down aways
He had a little house where him and his family use to stay
Nicest one on the block
If he seen you drive by
he wave you down and make you stop
Drank cheap booze, smoked big cigars
And he loved to tell
He didn't have a hateful bone in his body

He didn't have problems with nobody
The kind of person that would give
you his shirt off his back
He didn't care if you were white or black
But on night he got carjacked
They took his money, they took his car
But when they took his life they went too far
He closed his eyes and he starts to pray
And this is the last thing his killers heard him say

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Suzy was a girl I knew back in the day Couldn't take the rules at home so at sixteen she ran away

fifty dollars in her pocket and nowhere to stay Now she's out on the streets were the pimps feed And the dealers find the prey So naive here she believes that drugs are the only thing

That can set her free

Cant hind on the regular parents at home sick and worried about there baby girl But theres never gonna be a happy ending She writes a letter and says this will be the last she's sending

Forgive me mother forgive me father
But I just cant go on any longer
She signs it with a kiss and drops it in the mail
Four days later they find her OD'ed in a seedy motel
I can read you what the rest of the letter said
But I think you can already tell
(it read)

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