

## **Del Reeves**

# **"Billy Bayou"**

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Back about eighteen hundred and some  
A Louisiana couple had a red headed son  
No name soothed him Jim, Jack or Joe  
So they just called him Billy Bayou

Billy Billy Bayou, watch where you go  
You're walkin' on quick sand and walk slow  
Billy Billy Bayou, watch what you say  
A pretty girl'll get you one of these days

Billy was a boy kinda big for a size  
Red hair and freckles and big blue eyes  
Thirteen years from the day he was born  
Billy fought the battle of the little Big Horn

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One sad day Billy cried hoho  
I can whip the feathers of Geronimo  
He smarted off and the chief got mad  
This nearly ended our Louisiana lad

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One day in 1878  
A pretty girl walked through Billy's front gate  
He didn't know whether to stand there and run  
He would end up married cause he did neither one

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