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"My Christmas List Grows Shorter Every Year"

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My Christmas list grows shorter every year things just
aren't the way they were before
My Christmas list grows shorter every year it's almost
not like Christmas anymore
I guess it's cause I came from a pretty big family
Christmas was always a big happy time
We used to swap presents with aunts uncles and
cousins
Course most of the presents just came from the five
and dime
I remember how I used to get such a big kick out of
wrappin'
Just a simple little box and placin' it under the tree
Everybody at my house used to laugh and said that I
was born
With a little too much of the spirit of Christmas in me
I left home a few years ago now and it seemed then
that things started to change
Mom passed on now daddy's gone Christmases seem
sorta strange
Sister ran off with some weird kinda guy I never did
understand him too much
My kid brother's off somewhere in the service
And he never was the kind to stay in touch
Course I started my own family a few years ago
My wife and I had two of the cutest little girls
I ha ha remember last Christmas I really went wild
I bought them just about everything in the whole wide
world
And I remember on the Christmas Eve night I took 'em
upon my lap
And I told them the story of Jesus
And the Santa Claus and the eight tiny reindeer
All I wish now is the spirit of Christmas could have
lingered throughout the whole year
You see my wife left me back in September the kids are
with her I don't know where
I'd love to just send them a small Christmas card
To let them know that daddy does care
Cause Christmas is a time for sharing your gifts and
your heart
With the ones that you love the best

But sittin' here tonight lookin' at this big sheet of paper
I don't even have one single address
My Christmas list grows shorter every year oh what I'd
give to just go back in time
My Christmas list grows shorter every year the only
name that's left this year is mine

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