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"Old Coyote Town"

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He's got a US flag on his front porch
To remind everyone where he lives
And up in the attic there are papers that prove
The old house is finally his

After thirty-five years the grass still don't grow
In that rock hard west Texas ground
Where my old dad still clings to that old coyote town.

CHORUS

Like horses the pick-ups are parked out in front
Of a cafe that don't need a name
Where the old men rock and the tumbleweeds roll
Past the boarded up windows down Main

Waist high weeds hide a for sale sign
At the drive-in where my innocence died
With a rusty advertisement, dangling by a nail
Says Popcorn and Pepsi for a dime

And down at the depot where I left for good
There's a hobo with his three-legged hound
Waitin' for a train, that no longer comes to that old
coyote town

And the interstate rumbles like a river that runs
To a rythm that don't ever slow down
As cars and trucks, and time pass by that old coyote
town

Daddy falls asleep in the living room
On the sofa with the TV on
Sometimes he waits for a phone call from me
Sometimes he waits too long
But I still think of the people and the place that he loves
How much longer will they be around
Till it's ashes to ashes, dust to dust
For that old coyote town

