

Gillian Welch

"Oklahoma"

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Suitcase packed with all his things
Car pulls up the door bell rings
He don't wanna go
He thought he'd found his home

But with circumstances he can't change
Waves good-bye as they pull away
From the life he's known
For the last seven months or so.

She says:

We found a man that looks like you.
Who cried and said he never knew
About the boy in pictures that we showed him.

A rambler in his younger days
He knew he made a few mistakes
But he swore he would have been there had he known
it.

Son we think we found your dad in Oklahoma.

A million thoughts raced through his mind
What's his name? what's he like?
And will he be anything like the man in his dreams?

She could see the questions in his eyes
Whispered don't be scared my child
I will let you know what we know about

The man we found, he looks like you
Who cried and said he never knew
About the boy in pictures that we showed him.

A rambler in his younger days
He knew he'd made a few mistakes
But he swore he would have been there had he known
it.

Ye always said that this was something that you

wanted.
Son it's time to meet your dad in Oklahoma

One last turn he held his breath
Till they reached the fifth house on the left
And all at once the tears came rollin in

And as they pulled into the drive
A man was waiting there outside
He wipe the worry from his eyes
Smiled and took his hand

And he said:
I'm the man that looks like you
That cried because I never knew
About the boy in pictures that they showed me

A rambler in my younger days
I knew I made a few mistakes
But I swear I would have been there
Had I known it

Never again will you ever be alone
Son welcome to your home in Oklahoma

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