

Hank Williams

"Country Boy Can Survive"

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The preacher man says it's the end of time
And the Mississippi River she's a groin
dry

The interest is up and the stock markets down
And you only get mugged if you go down town

I live back in the woods, you see
A woman and the kids, and the dogs and me
I got a shotgun rifle and a four-wheel drive
And a country boy can survive, country folks can
survive

I can plow a field all day long, I can catch catfish from
dusk till dawn
We make our own whiskey and our own smoke too
Ain't too many things these ole boys
can't do
We grow good ole tomatoes and homemade wine
And a country boy can survive, country folks can
survive

Because you can't starve us out and you can't
makes us run
Cause one of 'em old boy's raisin' ole shotgun
And we say grace and we say ma'am
And if you ain't into that we don't give
a damn

We came from the West Virginia coal mines
And the Rocky Mountains and the and the western skies
And we can skin a buck, we can run a crop line
And a country boy can survive, country folks can
survive

I had a good friend in New York City
He never called me by my name, just hillbilly
My grandpa taught me how to live off the land
And his taught him to be a businessman
He used to send me pictures of the Broadway nights
And I'd send him some homemade wine

But he was killed by a man with a switchblade knife

For forty three dollars my friend lost his life
I'd love to spit some beechnut in that dude's eyes
And shoot him with my old forty five
'Cause a country boy can survive, country folks can survive

'Cause you can't starve us out and you
can't make us run
Cause one of 'em old boys raisin' ole shotgun
And we say grace and we say ma'am
And if you ain't into that we don't give
a damn

We're from North California and south
Alabama
And little towns all around this land
And we can skin a buck, we can run a crop line
And a country boy can survive, country folks can survive

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