

## **Hank Williams Jr. "I Uncle John"**

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I'd like to tell a story if you folks wouldn't mind  
But this one is true and it really happened in that little  
hometown of mine  
There was a kind old colored feller who the folks was  
always fond  
I don't even remember what his last name was we  
always just called him Uncle John  
Why I remember when I was little I used to go and see  
him nearly every day  
Just to sit and hear his stories an' while some time away  
Why he was in his height of Glory when there was  
children around his feet  
I've seen him laugh right out loud and say Lord God  
your children show is sweet  
I know in his big wide world there must be kind folks by  
the bushel  
But I just believe that in this one old man Lord put  
something special  
Why I've seen times when folks was sick that the old  
man would walk for miles  
Just to offer his assistance and try to help out a little  
while  
He was always doin' things like that givin' when he  
couldn't afford  
Funny thing was though he never did ask for no pay  
Said he was always a workin' for the Lord  
Now Uncle John have the sickness that he didn't know  
about  
Folks didn't know whether to tell him or just let him live  
without  
But then one day they decided they oughta let him  
know  
So they asked Doc boy if he go tell him and he said  
yeah he'd go  
He found old John sittin' in his homemade rockin' chair  
Thumbin' thru a worn out Bible and readin' little  
scriptures here and there  
The Doc was scared and he was nervous cause he  
didn't know quite where to start  
Don't you know his conscience fought him he come to  
break the old man's heart  
But he gathered up his courage and he found the

words to say  
Uncle John the Lord's comin' and he's gonna take you  
away  
Why there must've been a choir of angels started  
singin' in that old man's ears  
For a great big smile come on him and his eyes broke  
out in tears  
And he said why Doctor boy that's the most glorious  
news I ever heard  
I've been livin' almost eighty five years now just to hear  
them blessed words  
Now to know that he's finally callin' me to leave this  
earthly sod  
Why Doc I've just been livin' this old life so's I can get to  
meet my God

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