

## **John Cougar Mellencamp**

### **"Justice And Independence '85"**

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He was born on the fourth day of July  
So his parents called him Independence Day  
He married a girl named Justice who gave birth to a son  
called Nation  
Then she walked away  
Independence he would daydream and he'd pretend  
That some day him and Justice and Nation would get  
together again  
But Justice held up in a shotgun shack  
And she wouldn't let nobdoy in  
So a Nation cried  
CHORUS  
Oh, oh  
When a Nation cries  
His tears fall down like missiles from the skies  
Justice look into Independence's eyes  
Can you make everything alright  
Can you keep your Nation warm tonight  
Well Nation grew up and got himself a big reputation  
Couldn't keep the boy at home no, no  
He just kept running 'round and 'round and 'round and  
'round  
Indpendence and Justice well they felt so ashamed  
When the Nation fell down they argued who was to  
blame  
Nation if you'll come home we'll have this family again  
Oh, Nation, don't cry  
CHORUS  
Roll a rock across the country  
Everybody come along  
When you're feelin' down, yeah, yeah  
Just sing this song, yeah yeah  
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