

Johnny Burnette

"Roughneck"

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Born to be a roughneck I'll never amount to nothin'

Pullin' case and layin' pipe is hard labor

Well I was born in a boomer shack bout a half mile from town

Papa was a driller on a wildcat crew and my mama never was around

I learn to cuss when I was two and fight when I was three

And by the time I was five there was no kid alive could ever get the best of me

Born to be a roughneck...

[banjo]

Well I started workin' like a regular man when I was just about knee high

Skinning the knuckles with my two bare hands but they never heard me cry

I remember walkin' down the road and hearin' somebody say

He was born to live a rougneck's life and he's never gonna change his ways

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