

## Lari White

# "You Can't Go Home Again"

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(flies on the butter)

(allen shamblin/austin cunningham/chuck cannon)

Old tin roof, leaves in the gutter

A hole in the screen door big as your fist and flies on  
the butter

Mamaw baking sugar cookies, we were watching  
cartoons

Heard her holler from the kitchen which one of you  
youngens wants to lick the spoon

Yellow jackets on the watermelon, honeysuckle in the  
air

Daddy turning on the sprinkler, us kids running through  
it in our underwear

Old dog napping on the front porch, his ear just a  
twitching

Fall asleep on granddaddys lap to the sound of his  
pocket watch ticking

Oh, oh, oh - oh, oh, oh

It doesnt'tt feel like it was all that long ago

Oh, oh, oh - oh, oh, oh

You can dream about it every now and then

But you can't go home again

Me and my best friend vickie, set up a backyard camp  
Stole one of mamas mason jars, poked holes in the lid  
and made a firefly lamp

Me and jimmy monroe, sneaking down by the river  
Im still haunted by the taste of a kiss I didn't get cause  
he was too chicken liver

Oh, oh, oh - oh, oh, oh

It doesnt'tt feel like it was all that long ago

Oh, oh, oh - oh, oh, oh

You can dream about it every now and then

But you can't go home again

There's a blacktop road, a faded yellow centerline  
And it can take you back to the place, but it can't take  
you back in time

Oh, oh, oh - oh, oh, oh  
It doesn't feel like it was all that long ago  
Oh, oh, oh - oh, oh, oh  
You can dream about it every now and then  
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