

Love And Theft

"Town Drunk"

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She used to come over to my house, she only lived a few miles away

I never knew why but my mama said if she wanted to she could stay

A pretty little girl who fought like a boy but she wanted to hold me hand

And the little blue dress that she always wore, yeah it might have been her
Only friend

I remember that summer like yesterday she used to hang around all the time

Down by the creek we would always play and tell secrets by the porch light

Shy as a bird and timid as a flower, I wonder where she grew up

I never really thought that much about it, but everybody said her daddy was
The town drunk

Broken like a bottle, running from the only hole she ever had, tangled in
The talk behind her back

Yeah he thought she was nothing, growing like a weed on the wrong side of
The tracks

How could anyone not love a girl like that

One afternoon in the middle of town I saw her daddy sleeping on a bench

So I walked up and introduced myself and said his daughter was my best

Friend

He looked at me like he didn't care and asked me for a
couple of bucks

Right then I decided that I'd look after that pretty little
girl whos daddy
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Several years later I read in the paper that her daddy
had passed away

I was holding her hand she had the baby in the other
and there was really
Nothing I could say

She looked at me and I gave her a kiss all that
mattered was he three of us

Nobody thought it would all work out for that pretty little
girl whos daddy
Was the town drunk

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