

## Mark Wills

# "Anywhere But Memphis"

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(Monty Criswell/Tony Martin/Mark Wills)

Called her from a pay phone down on Beale Street  
On my way to Birmingham  
Said she was tired of never seein' me  
She needed more than a guitar man  
As the lonesome notes filled the midnight sky  
I wipe my tears and wish that I was

Anywhere but Memphis  
Any other place would have made a difference  
The way the blues pour out of the dives and bars  
Ain't no place for a broken heart  
She could've told me in Baton Rouge or Dallas  
Anywhere but Memphis

Wish she could have worked up her courage  
And let me down in Little Rock  
Or even as far back as Phoenix  
When I stop to call from that truck stop  
And if telling me sooner was just too hard  
She could've waited later to break my heart

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