

Mel Tillis

"I Lived So Fast And Hard"

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Well I was raised on corn bread and gravy
I slept in a cardboard box till I was nearly three
I bathed myself in muddy river runnin' by our shack
By the time that I had reached thirteen I'd been through
hell and back
And I've been thrown from pillar to post I've been
banged around and scarred
I've done so much I've seen so much I've lived so fast
and hard
Lived so fast and hard

Now mama died when I was young and I never knew
my dad
I never had the love and care that other children had
I spent five years in an orphan's home but I ran off one
day
And I hoboed on an old freight train to San Francisco
Bay
I've fought in the war I've been in jail there ain't much I
ain't done
I'd lived as much as any man fore I was twenty one I
was twenty one
[fiddle]
And I've been thrown from pillar to post...

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