

Patsy Cline

"Harper Valley P.T.A."

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I wanna tell you all a story 'bout a Harper Valley
widowed wife,
Who had a teenage daughter who attended Harper
Valley Junior High,
Well her daughter came home one afternoon and
didn't even stop to play,
And she said "Mom I got a note here from the Harper
Valley PTA."

Well the note said, "Mrs. Johnson, you're wearing your
dresses way too high.
It's reported you've been drinkin' and a-runnin' round
with men and goin' wild.
And we don't believe you oughta be a-bringin' up your
little girl this way."
And it was signed by the secretary, "Harper Valley
PTA."

Well it happened that the PTA was gonna meet that
very afternoon.
And they were sure surprised when Mrs. Johnson wore
her mini-skirt into the room.
And as she walked up to the black board, I can still
recall the words she had to say.
She said "I'd like to address this meeting of the Harper
Valley PTA."

Well, there's Bobby Taylor sittin' there, and seven
times he's asked me for a date.
And Mrs. Taylor sure seems to use a lotta ice,
whenever he's away.
And Mr. Baker can you tell us why your secretary had to
leave this town?
And shouldn't widow Jones be told to keep her window
shades all pulled completely down?

Well Mr. Harper couldn't be here cause he stayed too
long at Kelly's Bar again.
And if you smell Shirley Thompson's breath you'll find

she's had a little nip of gin.
And then you have the nerve to tell me, you think that
as a mother I'm not fit.
Well this is just a little Peyton Place, and you're all
Harper Valley hypocrites.

No, I wouldn't put you on because, it really did, it
happened just this way.
The day my momma socked it to the Harper Valley PTA.
The day my momma socked it to the Harper Valley
PTA...

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