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Porter Wagoner "Jim Johnson"

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The past ten years just flashed before my eyes I remember the day my daddy died He left mom four boys and three-year old Ginny Lou She got sick and we almost lost her too Times were rough even when dad was here but things got worse year after year Six years ago mom married again and that's when our troubles really began Jim Johnson was the name of our step-pa he was the meanest man I'd ever saw He mistreated mom and all of us kids and I swore some day he'd pay each time he did Never had enough clothes for school but we'd go we'd go home early because of snow And almost freeze to death fore we got there Jim bought booze instead of shoes for us to wear One summer we found six kittens with our old cat lim made us put 'em all in a gunny sack And throw 'em in the river with rocks inside Jim just stood there and laughed while we all cried Jim started watchin' Ginny Lou when she just turned thirteen Then late one night I heard Ginny scream I run and got the shotgun and grabbed a shell And I pulled the trigger and Jim Johnson fell I knew that someday it would come to this I knew that he'd try to put his hands on sis When people hear my story they'll understand They'll know that what I killed was not a man They'll know Jim Johnson was not a man

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