

The Saw Doctors

"All the way from tuam"

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I'm from the town drenched in football and rain
That fathered the terrible twins
Tom Murphy the footballer, playwright and singer
He left to spread his wide wings
Where the dance-halls once buzzing with shifts and refusals
Stand silent, dejected and cold
Where they played basketball for a longer duration
Than anywhere else in the world

We're all the way from Tuam
All the way from Tuam
With a rock-solid spirit
That'll never be broken
There's songs to be sung
And there's words to be spoken
From the town that was built
Where the cart-wheel was broken
We're all the way from Tuam
All the way from Tuam

Where we'd spend all our weekends to help pass the winter
Playing soccer above in Parkmore
Or we'd travel away for a match into Galway
In the swamp or out in Renmore
They'd be calling us smokies, the lads from the city.
But I didn't care what they called me
Just plank it in lively across for the noodle, sham
His jills with the KD's a gomey

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With a rock-solid spirit
That'll never be broken
There's songs to be sung
And there's words to be spoken
I still remember
The white star being open
We're all the way from Tuam
All the way from Tuam

Here in the town where the high king once ruled
With the wisdom of ages gone by
The grey stone cathedral spires are dwarfed
By a tall metal tower in the sky
Where the travellers are settling, the settled gone
travelling
The pubs full of gossip and rumour
You'll never better the people of Tuam
For their power, passion, packets and humour

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There's songs to be sung
And there's words to be spoken
From the town that was built
Where the cart-wheel was broken
No matter where you're from
Everyone's local
And we're all the way from Tuam
All the way from Tuam

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