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Roger Miller "T.J's LAST RIDE"

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Saturday in the town, as we buried T.J Brown Good man, spent his life on the K Roll ferry line He was just a man, nothing grand, just a man But I never heard him treat no-one unkind

Let him down slow, in the ground slow Let him down slow, while I dry my eyes Let him down slow, in the ground slow Let him down slow, it's old T.J's last ride

He feried model A's to the Cape Cherado shore Way before my poppa ever had a son When I was eight or nine I would sit by his back porch And he would tell me stories from back in World War one

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T,J's wife passed on, it was back in '61 Seems like yesterday, my my how time does fly Still I would drop by and we'd sit and reminisce And I'd stare across the river so as not to wath him cry Let him down slow, in the ground slow Let him down slow, while I dry my eyes Let him down slow, in the ground slow Let him down slow, it's old T.J's last ride

Well now here we standwith our memories and prayers Mourning and crying down to the youngest child And all that's gathered here will remember T.J Brown He will miss his river and we'll miss his old smile

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So let him down slow

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