

## **Ry Cooder**

# **"Baby Joined the Army"**

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Lt was on a Friday evening wasn't nobody 'round  
I was sitting by my window watching tbe sun go down  
My baby came up to me saying daddy I got news for  
you  
I have been recruited and there ain't nothing you can  
do  
Cause I can 't stand sitting, round this crazy town no  
more  
Not since the little baby shot dead down on the second  
floor  
And what about that poor old lady crippled in a police  
raid  
They told me if I get killed in battle I still get paid  
When the train pulled out next morning I just stood and  
waived bye bye  
My baby joined the army wasn 't nothing I could do but  
cry  
There was a time there was a dance that I used to do  
There was a dream that was working I had other plans  
for you  
His family and his pride is all a man like me has left  
Better watch your back better take care of yourself  
When the train pulled out next morning no precious  
child was left behind  
My baby joined the army, wasn't nothing I could do but  
cry  
Some day people williook back and say  
That was a time when peace didn't declare  
But I won't be around watching the evening sun go  
down

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