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Tillis Pam "Melancholy Child"

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A baby with a baby just barely seventeen My mother mourned her innocence While she bounced on her knee A daddy on the road added to her tears and trails Like silver rain they fell upon this melancholy child

The sounds of my childhood still linger in my song My mother's lullaby that train that ran behind our home A whippoorwill on a window still-it should have made me smile

But everything sounds lonesome to a melancholy child

Now a restless blood runs in our family I thought I could run the emptiness inside of me So I went a little crazy, went a little wild Trying to outdistance my own melancholy child

I met a kind and gentle man who thinks the world of me And when he looks my way it is a woman that he sees But when I can't explain to him the tears that fill my eyes

He takes me in his arms and rocks his melancholy child

You take a black irish temper and some solemn Cherokee

A southern sense of humor and you got someone like me

There are thorns on every rose to this I'm reconciled They're just a little sharper to a melancholy child

And my own babe's eyes I see signs of a melancholy child

Heaven help us all, another melancholy child

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