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"Old Dogs, Children & Watermelon Wine"

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"How old do you think I am?" he said
I said, "Well, I didn't know?"
He said, "I turned 65 about 11 months ago"

I was sittin' in Miami pourin' blended whiskey down
When this old gray black gentleman was cleanin' up the
lounge

There wasn't anyone around 'cept this old man and me
The guy who ran the bar was watchin' 'Ironsides' on TV
Uninvited, he sat down and opened up his mind
On old dogs and children and watermelon wine

"Ever had a drink of watermelon wine?" he asked
He told me all about it, though I didn't answer back
"Ain't but three things in this world that's worth a
solitary dime
But old dogs and children and watermelon wine"

He said, "Women think about theyselves, when
menfolk ain't around
And friends are hard to find when they discover that
you're down"
He said, "I tried it all when I was young and in my
natural prime
Now it's old dogs and children and watermelon wine"

Old dogs care about you even when you make
mistakes
God bless little children while they're still too young to
hate
When he moved away I found my pen and copied down
that line
'Bout old dogs and children and watermelon wine

I had to catch a plane up to Atlanta that next day
As I left for my room I saw him pickin' up my change
That night I dreamed in peaceful sleep of shady
summertime
Of old dogs and children and watermelon wine

