Two Gallants "Dyin' Crapshooter Blues"

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Well now Jesse was a gambler Night and day He used crooked cards and dice Son of a guy, good-hearted He but had no soul His heart was hard and cold like ice Jesse was a wild reckless gambler The one game he could not win Sweet Lorena 'outta north atlanta She done stole his heart from him And she was married to a rich man With a house on a hill But Jesse had to see her still

So come the shadows of night

He came around

And he cut the old man down

Broke his heart

Left him cold out alone

Sweet Lorena packed up and gone

And the police walked up

And shot my friend down

Said "Boys, I gotta die today"

He had eight crapshooters

Around his bedside

To hear the words he had to say

"guess I 'otta know exactly hows I wanna to go"

How you wanna go 'ole Jesse?

Eight crapshooter to be my pallbearers

Let 'em all be bailed down in black

I want nine men

Going to the graveyard, buddy

But just eight men are coming back

I want gamblers

Gathered around my coffin side,

A crooked card upon my hearse

Don't say the crapshooters

Are allowed to grieve over me

That there doggone curse

Water my grave with some moonshine

Now dig it with the ace of spades

I want 12 polices in my funeral march

High sheriff 'bout to led the parade

I want that judge who jailed me
14 times to put a,
A pair of dice in my shoes
Let a deck of cards be my tombstone buddy,
I got the dyin' crapshooters blues

16 real good crapshooters

16 bootlegger there to sing songs

16 hobos off the casey line

To kick up dust while I'm rollin' along

(All the hoes

That I used to know

From way before

Kiss me from my head to my toes

Give me paper and pen

So I can write about my life of sin couple bottles of gin

In case I don't get in)

Or

(I want 22 women at the hampton hotel

And 26 off-a South Bell

But just 1 woman 'outta north atlanta

To give me pleasure 'fore I gets to hell)

Well his head was achin'

His heart was thumpin

Jesse went down bouncin' and jumpin' said,

"folks don't be standin around moanin' and cryin"

He wants everybody to do the charleston whilst he dies

One foot up and a toenail draggin'

Throw my buddy Jesse

In the hoodoo wagon

Come here mama

With your can of booze

Dyin' crapshooter's blues (help me)

The dyin' crapshooter's blues

Goin down with the dyin' crapshooter's blues

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