

# Billy's Bones

The Pogues

Billy ran around with the rare old crew  
And he knew an Arsenal from Tottenham blue  
We'd be a darn sight better of if we knew  
Where Billy's bones are resting now

Billy saw a copper and he hit him in the knee  
And he took him down from six foot to five foot three  
Then he hit him fair and square in the do re mi  
That copper won't be having any family

Hey Billy, son, where are you now?  
Don't you know that we need you now?  
With a ra ta ta and the old kow tow  
Where are Billy's bones resting now?

Billy went away with the peacekeeping force  
'Cause he liked a bloody good fight of course  
Went away in a big khaki van  
To the banks of the willy Jordan

Billy saw the Arabs and he had 'em on the run  
When he got 'em in the range of his sub-machine gun  
Then he had the Israelis in his sights  
Went a ra ta ta and they ran like Shiites

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One night Billy had a rare old time  
Laughing and singing on the Lebanon line  
Came back to camp not looking too pretty  
Never even got to see the Holy City

Now Billy's out there in the desert sun  
And his mother cries when the morning comes  
And there's mothers crying all over this world  
For their poor dead darling boys and girls

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(Have a Billy holiday, born on a Monday)  
Married on a Tuesday, drunk on a Wednesday  
Got plugged on a Thursday, sick on a Friday  
Died on a Saturday, buried on a Sunday