Aggravatin' Papa

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I know a triflin' man, they call him Triflin' Sam He lives in Birmingham, way down in Alabam' Then the other night he had a fight, With a gal named Mandy Brown She plainly stated he was aggravating, As she shouted out to him

Aggravatin' papa, don't you try to two-time me, I said don't two-time me Aggravatin' papa, treat me kind or let me be, I mean just let me be Listen while I get you told Stop messin' round sweet jelly roll If you stay out with a high-brown baby I'll smack you down and I don't mean maybe Aggravatin' papa, I'll do anything you say Anything you say But when you go struttin', do you strut around my way, so papa Just treat me pretty, be nice and kind The way you're treating me will make me lose my mind Aggravatin' papa, don't you try to two-time me

Just treat me pretty, be nice and sweet I got a darn forty-four that don't repeat Aggravatin' papa, don't you try to two-time me