

Kneeling Drunkard's Plea

Billy Joe Shaver

Lord have mercy on me
Was the kneeling drunkard's plea
And as he knelt there on the ground
I know that God in Heaven looked down

I went down by an old country church
I saw the drunkard stagger and lurch
And as he reached his mother's grave
I saw that drunkard kneel and pray

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Bring my darling boy to me
Was his mother's dying plea
And as he staggered through the gate
A lassie came just one day too late

Three years have passed since she went away
Her son is sleeping beside her today
And I know in Heaven his mother he'll see
For God has heard that drunkard's plea

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