The Wreck Of The Barbie Ferrari

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Saturday night he comes home stinking Sunday morning she wakes up thinking and thinking and thinking and thinking Does she need to get the kids dressed to go to church He's pulled a shotgun out of the lurch He heads for the TV room starts to search His problems swollen like a river and his reality's shrinking He finds them huddled by the toy box and splatters 'em all The ken and the midge and the skipper doll They look like a family but they're really not at all

Well he's sad but he ain't sorry It ain't the end of the world It's just the wreck of the barbie ferrari

He wonders if he ever said I do To that little blonde plastic voodoo And his mind's gone fishin' Well it started just as plain as the nose on your face Now it's in a thousand peices all over the place He thought she was driving but it's twisted beyond recognition All the diapers and the tutus and the basketballs She was givin' them a lift to the promised mall But somewhere by the TV that V-12 stalled As he loaded the chamber her eyes got starry It ain't the end of the world It's just wreck of the barbie ferrari When they get home from church won't they be sorry He's cornered 'em all on his urban safari

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He's played with cars and guns since he could crawl Now he wishes he'd never met that doll with her face gone There wasnt nothing he ever thought about He couldn't drive through or shoot his way out As he surveys the family room littered with dolls He can't find one leg to stand on He aims the gun at his head now he's starting to cry Looking for the courage to let it fly Can't live without his family now that something has died He's not sure who's hurt not sure who's sorry

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