

Billy Overcame His Size

Merle Haggard

Billy never made the football team
'Cause Billy's size was small
But Billy's brother was a mighty lad
And played a lot of high school ball

And Billy's daddy never favored him
He catered to the bigger guys
But later on in a bigger way
Billy overcame his size

The years flew by and Billy grew
But he never got very big
We called him shorty but he never got mad
He was always good for a dig

And we paid no mind when he fell in line
And left with the other guys
And the Sargent laughed at his skinny frame
But Billy overcame his size

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Yeah, Billy overcame his size
Later on in a bigger way
Bill overcame his size

Billy's brother made a football star
And the biggest man in town
And the scholarship that kept him home
Never seemed to bring him down

But on the other hand his brother Bill
Put pride in his daddy's eyes
When he died to save those other men
Billy overcame his size

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