

Nobody's Home

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I live in a big house
Designer names with a room to roam
A circled drive, a car paid for
But still I wish for somethin' more

So many people in small houses
They've got 'em filled clear up to the rafters
With big wings and Barbie dolls
Crayola pictures on the wall

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Make dinner at five for one in the microwave
I wash the fork and throw the plate away
Then the light with the timer comes on
This beautiful house I own is nobody's home

Sometimes I just drive for hours
Takin' in all I'm missin'
The picket fence, the kiddy pools
The after work barbeques

And I see kids jumpin' up and down
On a trampoline in their backyard
The laughter's loud, not a moment's peace
And one's cryin' because he scraped his knee

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Where this house is now I hope a home will be
For now this front porch mat is all that welcomes me

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