I grew up on Merle Haggard, ZZ Top and CDB And if that Freebird wasn't soarin Y'all would have never heard of me Turn up Bocephus on the radio Marshall Tucker now can't you see

[Chorus:]

You can take me out the country
But you'll never take the country out of me

Can't go a day without Waylon Jennings And the red haired stranger's on mind Johnny Cash and Jimmy Rogers JJ Cale and old John Prine My Sweet Melissa keeps on callin' Take a load off Annalee

I ain't never been to Heaven
But I hear it's just the same as Tennessee

[Solo]

Now my face might seem familiar
You see me smiling on T.V.
They might take me out to L.A.
But They'll never take sweet Dixieland from me
They might take me out the country
But They'll never take the country out of me
If you didn't know that I was country
Alabama's always home to me