

I Ain't Living Long Like This

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You looked for trouble and you found it son
Straight down the barrel of a lawman's gun
You'd try to run but you don't think you can
You make one move and you're dead man, friend

I ain't living long like this
I can't live at all like this, can I baby
He slipped the handcuffs on behind my back
Then he left me freezing on a steel rail track
They got 'em all in the jailhouse, ain't they baby
I ain't living long like this

Grew up in houston off of wayside drive
Son of a car hop in some all night dive
Dad drove a stock car to an early death
All I remember was a drunk man's breath

I ain't living long like this
I can't live at all like this can I baby
We know the story how the wheel goes round
Don't let 'em take you to the man downtown
Can't sleep at all in the jailhouse, baby
I ain't living long like this

You live for angel, she's a roadhouse queen
Make texas ruby look like sandra dee
You want to love her but you don't know how
You're at the bottom of the jailhouse now

I ain't living long like this
I can't live at all like this, can I baby
You know the story 'bout the jailhouse rock
Go on and do it, but just don't get caught
They got 'em all in the jailhouse, ain't they baby
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