Watermelon Dream

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The sun was hot and the dust rose up like smoke So we hid beneath the elm tree and watched the watermelons floa t There in a big 'ol tub of ice And we'd split em open with a kitchen knife And everybody had a slice it was a watermelon dream Ain't nothin' sweeter than a watermelon dream 'Cept sittin on the front porch eatin' that peach ice cream When life is really sweeter than it seems That's what you've got to call a watermelon dream With sticky hands and and faces we fought the yellowjackets to a draw Then we used the rind for second base and played a little hard ball I don't know how much we ate But we all got the belly-ache And everybody stayed up what too late It was a watermelon dream

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Then a little after sundown we'd be runnin out of steam So we'd light a roman candle and try to hold on tho the dream Maybe slip out behind a car Take a little tastes from a jar Then just lay back and count the stars That's called a watermelon dream