

Where I'm From

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On a three hour flight from Memphis to LA
I was silently celebrating my first class upgrade
Laughing at my jeans and my boots
Beside those high dollar shoes and Armani suits

When the gentleman next to me said the drinks up here are free
So if you'd like the first one can be on me
He said I'm headin' back from business in New York and Rome
Tell me, son, where do you call home?

I said I'm from the front pew of a wooden white church
A courthouse clock, it still don't work
Where a man's word means everything

Where moms and dads were high school flames
That gave their children grandmother's maiden name
Yes, it may not sound like much but it's where I'm from

So we drank that round and then another
There wasn't a topic in this world we did not cover
He said I headed out west when I was barely nineteen
Just a kid chasing my dreams

And I said I'm flying out here to pick up my big brother
He's been fighting the cancer they discovered
But he called last night and said I think this is the end
So come take me home to my family and my friends

Where the quarterback dates the homecoming queen
The truck's a Ford and the tractor's green
And Amazing Grace is what we sing

Where there's a county fair every fall
And your friends are there no matter when you call
Yeah, it may not sound like much but it's where I'm from

And as we stood to claim the bags we checked
He said I'll pray for your brother and did I mention that
Italian suits haven't always been my style?

See, I was the quarterback of my high school team
We took state back in '63
And my wife, well, she's still my homecoming queen

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A courthouse clock, it still don't work
Where a man's word means everything

Where moms and dads were high school flame
That gave their children grandmother's maiden name
Yes, it may not sound like much

I said it may not sound like much but it's where I'm from
(Amazing grace)
It's where I'm from
(How sweet the sound)
It's where I'm from

(Amazing grace)
(How sweet the sound)
(Amazing grace)