

What's Your Mama's Name Child

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What's your mama's name child?
What's your mama's name? Thirty some odd years ago, a young man came to Memphis
Askin' 'bout a rose that used to blossom in his world
People never took the time to mind the young man's questions
Until one day they heard him ask a little green-eyed girl What's your mama's name, child?
What's your mama's name?
Does she ever talk about a place called New Orleans?
Has she ever mentioned a man named Bufford Wilson?
What's your mama's name, child?
What's your mama's name?
Twenty some odd years ago, a drunkard down in Memphis
Lost a month of life and labor to the county jail
Just because he asked a little green-eyed girl a question
And offered her a nickel's worth of candy if she'd tell A year and some odd days ago, a old man
died in Memphis
Just another wayward soul the county had to claim
Inside the old man's ragged coat, they found a faded letter
That said you've got a daughter and her eyes are Wilson green.
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