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Billy's Bones

Billy ran around with the rare old crew

D
A
D
And he knew an Arsenal from Tottenham blue

G
D
A
We'd be a darn sight better of if we knew
D
G
Where Billy's bones are resting now

Billy saw a copper and he hit him in the knee And he took him down from six foot to five foot three Then he hit him fair and square in the do-re-mi That copper won't be having any family

Hey Billy son where are you now

Don't you know that we need you now

G

With a ra-ta-ta and the old

A

D

Kow-tow Where are Billy's bones resting now

Billy went away with the peace-keeping force 'Cause he liked a bloody good fight of course Went away in an old khaki van to the banks of the river Jordan

Billy saw the Arabs and he had 'em on the run When he got 'em in the range of his sub-machine gun Then he had the Israelis in his sights, went a ra-ta-ta And they ran like Shiites

One night Billy had a rare old time, Laughing and singing on the Lebanon line Came back to camp not looking too pretty Never even got to see the Holy City

Now Billy's out there in the desert sun And his mother cries when the morning comes And there's mothers crying all over this world For their poor dead darling boys and girls

Have a Billy holiday Born on a Monday Married on a Tuesday Drunk on a Wednesday Got plugged on a Thursday Sick on a Friday Died on a Saturday Buried on a Sunday

