

## **Where I'm From**

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I am from the country music sheets, from Gibson and Rocky-top creators.

I am from the polished palace, clean and never lonely.

I am from the thorny rose bushes, the beauty protected by thorns.

I am from the dusty, long road and watching blue eyes, from Crystal and Carl and Culp.

I am from the well thought writers and unknown singers, hidden in the shadows backstage in wait for their day to be drenched in the spotlight's glow.

From Clean your room! and Treat others how you wish to be treated!

I am from the old wooden pews that hold long cherished bibles and well sung hymns of calmer times.

I'm from the Irish and Scottish roots, grits and chicken.

From the grandfather who spoke his mind, who cared for his family, the cat crazy grandmother, and the beloved teacher and mother.

I am from the pages of memories kept hidden and safe, yellowed and aged with long forgotten memories.