He Carried Her Memory

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It was all that she left him, the night that she left him So he clung to her memory with all of his might He carried it with him everywhere he went Like a soldier who just couldn't give up the fightHe took it to work, and he brought it back home He took it so hard, couldn't leave it alone We all called him crazy in our little town The way that he carried her memory aroundHe boxed it up when he sold their old house It rode right beside him there in the front seat He littered his new place with those same old heartaches It felt right at home there with her memory He took it to church with him three times a week He took it to bed when he layed down to sleep The weight of remembering just wore him down The longer he carried her memory aroundWhen she never came back, he gave up on Jesus And he never darkened another church door He took up with whiskey, and he took up with women 'Till one night he just couldn't take anymore He cried, 'God forgive me, but I've lost my will' As he reached for that cold empty piece of blue steel

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Then he put another big hole in his heart The night that he carried her memory too far