

## Highway Patrolman - Bruce Springsteen

(Also done by Johnny Cash, but kinda ruined it)

D G D  
My name is Joe Roberts I work for the state  
A  
I'm a sergeant out of Perrineville barracks number 8  
D G D  
I always done an honest job as honest as I could  
A D  
I got a brother named Frankie and Frankie ain't no good

G D  
Now ever since we was young kids it's been the same come down  
A  
I get a call on the shortwave Frankie's in trouble downtown  
D G D  
Well if it was any other man, I'd put him straight away  
A D  
But when it's your brother sometimes you look the other way

G D  
Yeah me and Frankie laughin' and drinkin'  
G D  
Nothin' feels better than blood on blood  
G D  
Takin' turns dancin' with Maria as the band  
A  
Played "Night of the Johnstown Flood"  
D G D  
I catch him when he's strayin' like any brother would  
A D  
Man turns his back on his family well he just ain't no good

G D  
Well Frankie went in the army back in 1965  
A  
I got a farm deferment, settled down, took Maria for my wife  
D G D  
But them wheat prices kept on droppin' till it was like we were gettin'  
robbed  
A D  
Frankie came home in '68, and me, I took this job

G D  
Yeah we're laughin' and drinkin'  
G D  
Nothin' feels better than blood on blood  
G D  
Takin' turns dancin' with Maria as the band

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Played "Night of the Johnstown Flood"  
A

I catch him when he's strayin' teach him how to walk that line  
D G D

Man turns his back on his family he ain't no friend of mine  
A D

| D | G | A | D | D |

Well the night was like any other, I got a call `bout quarter to nine  
G D

There was trouble in a roadhouse out on the Michigan line  
A

There was a kid lyin' on the floor lookin' bad bleedin' hard from his head  
D G D

There was a girl cry'n' at a table and it was Frank, they said  
A D

Well I went out and I jumped in my car and I hit the lights  
G D

Well I musta done one hundred and ten through Michigan county that night  
A

It was out at the crossroads, down `round Willow bank  
D G D

Seen a Buick with Ohio plates behind the wheel was Frank  
A D

Well I chased him through them county roads

Till a sign said "Canadian border five miles from here"  
G D

I pulled over the side of the highway and watched his tail-lights disappear  
A D

Me and Frankie laughin' and drinkin'  
G D

Nothin' feels better than blood on blood  
G D

Takin' turns dancin' with Maria as the band

Played "Night of the Johnstown Flood"  
A

I catch him when he's strayin' ~~teach him how to walk that line~~  
D G D

like any brother would

Man turns his back on his family and he just ain't no good  
A D | D | G | D |