

Stagger Lee
Lloyd Price

[Intro]

Eb **G#** **Eb**
The night was clear, and the moon was yellow..
Bb7 **Eb**
And the leaves came tumblin down...

[Verse 1]

(fast, rock.)

Eb **Eb7**
I was standin on the corner,
G#7
When I heard my bull dog bark.
Eb
He was barkin at the two men
Bb7 **Eb**
Who were gamblin in the dark.
Eb **Eb7**
It was Stagger Lee and Billy,
G#7
Two men who gambled late.
Eb
Stagger lee threw a seven,
Bb7 **Eb**
Billy swore that he threw eight.

[Verse 2]

Eb **Eb7**
Stagger Lee, said Billy,
G#7
I can t let you go with that.
Eb
You have won all my money,
Bb7 **Eb**
And my brand-new Stetson hat.
Eb
Stagger Lee went home,
G#7
And he got his forty-four.
Eb
He said, I m goin to the barroom
Bb7 **Eb**
Just to pay that debt I owe.
Bb7
(Go, Stagger Lee.)

[Verse 3]

Eb **Eb7**

Stagger Lee went to the barroom,

G#7

And he stood across the barroom door.

Eb

Bb7

Eb

He said, Nobody move, and he pulled his .44.

Eb

Eb7

Stagger Lee, cried Billy,

G#7

Oh, please don't take my life!

Eb

I've got three little children,

Bb7

Eb

And a very sickly wife.

[Verse 4]

Eb

Eb7

Stagger Lee shot Billy.

G#7

Oh, he shot that poor boy so bad..

Eb

That the bullet went through Billy

Bb7

Eb

And broke the bartender's glass.

Bb7

(Look out now.)

[Outro]

Eb

Eb7

G#7

Go, Stagger Lee..go, Stagger Lee..go, Stagger Lee..

Eb

Bb7 Eb

Go, Stagger Lee..go, go...Fade.