

## Family tradition

Hank Williams jnr

(E) Country music singers have always been a (A) real close family  
But (B7) lately some of my kinfolk have disowned a few others and (E) me  
I guess it's because I kinda (A) changed my direction  
Lord, (B7) I guess I went and broke their..... family (E) tradition

### CHORUS

*They get on me, wanna know: "Hank.."*

(E) Why do you drink? Hank (A) Why do you roll smoke?  
(B7) Why must you live out the songs that you (E) wrote?  
Over and over - everybody(A) made my prediction  
(B7) So if I get stoned, I'm just carryin' on and old... family (E) tradition.

(E) I am very proud of my daddy's (A) name  
(B7) Although his kind of music and mine ain't exactly the (E) same  
Stop and think it over - (A) put yourself in my position  
(B7) If I get stoned and sing all night long it's a.... family (E) tradition

### CHORUS 2

*Don't ask me: "Hank..."*

(E) Why do you drink? Hank (A) Why do you roll smoke?  
(B7) Why must you live out the songs that you (E) wrote?  
If I'm down in a honky tonk, some ol (A) slick's tryin' to gimme friction  
*I say*  
(B7) Leave me alone, I'm singin' all night long, it's a.... family (E) tradition"

### *instrumental*

(E) Lordy, I have loved some ladies, and I have loved (A) Jim Bean  
(B7) They both tried to kill me in nineteen seventy-(E)-three  
When that doctor asked me "Son, how'dja get in this(A) condition?"  
*I says*  
(B7) "Hey Sawbones, I'm just a-carryin' on the old... family (E) tradition.

### CHORUS x2

*So don't ask me: "Hank..."*

(E) Why do you drink? Hank (A) Why do you roll smoke?  
(B7) Why must you live out the songs that you (E) wrote?  
Stop and think it over - try to put yourself in (A) my unique position  
(B7) If I get stoned and sing all night long, it's a family (E) tradition....

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