

The story behind the song: Kate Barker (born Arizona Donnie Clark; 1873 –1935) known as Ma Barker was the mother of several criminals who ran the Barker gang. They were murderers and did many robberies, kidnappings, and other crimes between 1931 and 1935.



Ma Barker (in the song: Ma Baker)

Freeze, I'm Ma Baker, put your hands in the air. Gimme all your money

This is the story of Ma Baker, the meanest cat from old Chicago town

She was the ...*meanest*... cat

In old Chicago

She was the meanest cat

She really mowed them down

She had at all

No no no heart

Ma Ma Ma Ma - Ma Baker - she taught her four sons

Ma Ma Ma Ma - Ma Baker - to handle their guns

Ma Ma Ma Ma - Ma Baker - she never could cry

Ma Ma Ma Ma - Ma Baker - but she knew how to die

They left a trail of

..... the U.S.A.

And when one boy was

She really made pay

She had no heart at all

No no no heart at all

Here is a special bulletin: Ma Baker is the FBI's most wanted woman. Her photo is hanging on every post office wall. If you have any information about this woman, please contact the nearest police station...

- Don't anybody move! The money or your lives!

One day they a bank

It was their foray

The cops appeared

They couldn't

And all the loot they had

It them mighty mad

She was the meanest cat

Oh she was tough

She left her flat

He wasn't tough enough

She her boys

'cos they were mean and

mean - bad
mow - cut he grass
flat - even, plane
tough - hard

And then a she liked

She she'd stay with him

When he on them

They did with him

She didn't at all

Just didn't care at all

trail - path
to care - to mind
cop - policeman
loot - plunder

And so they it out

Ma Baker and her

They to hang

They died with blazing

And so ends

Of one who no friends

CHANGE INTO THE PAST TENSE:

She isn't a mean woman. ... *She wasn't a mean woman.*

Does she take her boys along?

Do they know how to handle guns?

The cops have arrived late.

She doesn't leave any friends.

Her photo is hanging on the wall.