

## **Where I'm From**

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I'm from Carver Heights

Where most of the old folk live  
and everybody and they mama know you  
and your whole family.

Where you have a convenience store that we call Zeke's  
and a barber shop with a beauty part.

We have candy ladies and a thrill lady, all  
who sell the best products out of their houses

Where dogs run around with mean looks on their faces  
and old drunks always saying

"Hey, I have candy for you young pretty girls."

Where grandma lives on Lynah St,

and all of us grew up  
my siblings, cousins, mama, aunts and uncles.

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