

Corrido of Dunno the Cat

sung to the tune of Bob Dylan's "Forever Young"

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1. In the fall two-oh-one-seven
Down in Owenton, Kentucky
There, a mean ol' dog killed Dunno
This brave cat was not so lucky.
2. Dunno was a fam'ly cat
And a sixteen-year-old tabby.
Though he lived his life outside
Family's what made him happy.
3. His fam'ly moved to a farm.
Many dangers did abound.
They say he was injured once,
But he still was outward bound.
4. But Dunno did not see danger
He just loved to roam so much.
If he ever stayed inside,
He would feel so out of touch.
5. Once, stray kittens came to visit
Dunno gladly shared his food.
Next door neighbor's dog came hunting
That dog was up to no good!
6. When one of three baby kittens
Was killed by the dog's attack
Dunno lured the dog away
It would be his final act.
7. One of the surviving cats
In his honor was named Yunno.
This cat's legacy lives on
We will all remember Dunno
8. Doves fly over Hansford's farm
Where once our brave hero sat
Let us raise our glasses fellows
To this altruistic cat.

