The Cat Came Back
(Laurie Berkner version)

Words & Music:
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This version uses the "Stray Cat Strut" vamp in Em [Em D C B7] through the entire song.

Old Mister Johnson had troubles of his own.
He had a yellow cat that wouldn't leave its home;
He tried and he tried to give the cat away,
He gave it to a man goin' far, far away.

CHORUS:
But the cat came back the very next day.
The cat came back, we thought he was a goner.
But the cat came back; it just couldn't stay away.
Away, away, yea, yea, yea

So, he gave it to a woman going up in a balloon.
He told him for to take it to the Man in the Moon;
The balloon came down about ninety miles away,
Where the woman is now, well, I cannot say.

CHORUS:

So, he gave it to a man going way out West.
Told him for to take it to the one he loved the best.
First the train hit the track, then it jumped the rail.
And nobody was left to tell the awful tale.

CHORUS: *[2x]*