

To Have Been Born Mexican

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To have been born Mexican.

I blow on the wind so that

My eagle of pride may fly

To have been born Mexican,

I mop my floors for the

sweet scent of fabuloso

To have been born Mexican,

I fight stereotypes

To have been born Mexican,

Others assume i've been in gunfights

To have been born Mexican,

I pray to the Virgin Mary

To have been born Mexican,

I carry my families burdens

To have been born Mexican,

The sun doesn't burn my skin

but only turns it bronze

To have been born Mexican,

I grow in the aztec blood

To have been born Mexican,

I can only hope for a better tomorrow