

## **I've Been Everywhere**

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*Original song by Geoff Mack; Unichappell Music Inc/BMI; parody lyrics by Dick Jonas*

Well, I took off from Ubon in a thick and heavy driving rain  
I toted my bombs out to Green Anchor Tanker Plane  
I had a brand new AC riding in the front seat  
A guy with six months RTU, before that a 'Tweet'  
He asked me if my counters numbered much more than ten  
I said, "Listen, Mac, there ain't no place up there I ain't been."

### CHORUS

I've been everywhere, Man, I've been everywhere  
I crossed the mountains bare, Man, I seen the flak-filled air  
Of SAMs I've had my share, Man, I've been everywhere

I been to Hanoi, Haiphong, Phuc Yen, Yen Bai  
Lang Son, Hoa Lac, Phu Tho, Son Tay  
Hoa Binh, Nam Dinh, Thai Binh, Bac Ninh  
Thai Nguyen, Gia Lam, Viet Tri, Do Son  
Thud Ridge, MiG Ridge, Northeast Railroad  
Bac Mai, Ninh Giang, Bac Giang, Poo-yeng

### CHORUS

I been to Sam Neua, Ban Ban, Quang Tri, Son La  
Bat Lake, Dong Hoi, Quang Khe, Thanh Hoa  
Red Route, Black Route, Blue Route, Purple Route  
Channel 97 and the Red and Black River Valley  
Land side, water side, down the slide, dang my hide  
In town, cross town, up town, down town

### CHORUS

I been to Taegu, Kwangju, Fuchu, Kunsan  
Inchon, Osan, Pusan, Suwon  
P-Y Do, Cheju do, Guam, Okinawa  
Hachinohe, Morioka, Sendai, Wakkanai  
Tachikawa, Itazuke, Niigata, Pohang  
Kagoshima, Hiroshima, Ie Shima, hot dang!

### CHORUS

I been to Seoul, Kimpo, Honolulu, Wake, Midway  
Hong Kong, Bangkok, Baguio, Manila Bay  
Hualien, Tainan, Taitung, Keelung  
Chiayi, Hsin chu, Kaohsiung, Ping Tung  
Saigon, Singapore, Tokyo, Taipei  
Taichung city, all night, all day

#### CHORUS

Hank Snow. His was the first rendition I ever heard of this song. He used place names around the USA.

Many years later, on an R&R down under, I heard it sung in a Sydney night club by a guy using Australian place names.

As I was putting this project together, I found out it was an Aussie who wrote the original. Geoff Mack is the genius behind *I've Been Everywhere*. What a song! What a writer!