## **Michelle**

## Field Report

Oh Michelle, I'm coming down to see you The night is bruised black swelling, gold and green I was in bed, but I had the dream again Where I drive us off the cliff to the ravine

And the car, was Shelby blue

Blue like the one in the photo of your father and you Blue like the label, on the beer you always choose

Blue like me and you, Michelle. Oh Michelle, I went looking for the river

But I only made it to the railroad bend

There were these candles there,

And some days ago cut flowers

Where the guy who had been knifed there by his friend

And my eyes could not adjust

To the flames against the leaves

Someone was watching from near by

I heard a phone chime, from the shadow in the tree's

I had to come see you Michelle. Oh Michelle, we are trafficking in wonder

Worshiping the wounds upon your cheek

So kiss me shy and I will love you like a lamprey

In the cool, cool waters of the creek

Tornadoes transform and leave us changed

Everyone we love, break on us like waves

Take your hands, cover up your eyes and your face

Tell me what you see now Michelle. Oh Michelle, the first light it might come too late

So let's out-drive the headlights and the stars

The roof held, but only til the rain fell

Now it's leaking ??? inside my captains car

Toss my chevrons out the window

On the way over here

Uncle Sam can meet me by the tree-line

He and I and your husband, we can work it out like men

We won't end up I-dee-IOh Michelle, I can't see the things that I've seen

From the time that I was gone and then returned

But I've got 5,000 bucks and a full tank of gas

And a stars and stripes beach towel, with a cigarette burn

If we leave right now, we'll be there by morning

Every and anywhere but here

We can make a new start, we can make up new names

I've already picked yours Michelle...

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