

South Texas Girl

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St. Mother Maria, watch over us please
As we wander around in this dangerous world
Thank Mother Maria, there's nothing so sweet
As the undying love of a South Texas girl
The three in the front seat, they sat on each side
That green and white '58 Fairlane it would drive
Down farm roads past open fields, seeming like no big deal
As it was happening I never felt a thing
But now looking back it seems like it was everything
Singing with mom just so we could hear ourselves sing
Stealin' a drink from the cold can in daddy's lap
Protected by only a small thin brown paper sack
And the wind blew the echoes of long faded voices
And they'd sing me a song that the old cowboys sang
And I didn't know what the words meant or anything
I was just singing because I was supposed to
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And with the windows wide open, it felt hot to us anyway
We three bound together on a day just like any day
They told me and taught me and showed me and bought me
Whatever I wanted from the corner you told them
You said the name Corpus Christi means the body of Jesus
Pronounce it Refugio, city folks they don't know
It looks like Palacios, but sounds like Palacios
Just listen the next time you're watchin' Sid Lasher
And the wind blew the echoes of long faded voices
And they would sing me a song that the old cowboys sang
And I didn't know what the words meant or anything
I was just singing
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I was just singing

Now these days with car seats and open container laws
Sew sure correctness, but leaves no room for Santa Claus
Sitting right next to me, she looks like that used be
Song that they sang for me
And with the windows wide open, it feels hot to us anyway
The two bound together on a day just like any day
The wind blows the echoes of long faded voices
And they sing us a song that the old cowboys sang
And now that I know what the words mean and everything
I'm still singing

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St. Mother Maria, watch over us please
As we stumble around in this dangerous world
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As the undying love of a South Texas girl
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