3rd Gear & 17

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I held the keys to that Chevrolet and you held the keys to my heart I'd throw a fit, hit the dash, get out and kick the tire when that old piece of junk wouldn't start It'd be smoking good I'm slam down the hood Just to see you laughing at me On the other side of a dirty windshield, lookin' as pretty as could be

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In the blink of an eye high school flew by you went your way and I went mine But we swore we'd make it, our love could take it 400 miles could stand the test of time

Well I left that fall to play college ball, but my dreams would all come to an end 'Cause you know the big leagues never called, and you went and fell in love with him

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Memories flash through my mind like old faded photographs I still think about you in that red Malibu and I just can't help but laugh

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Love broke down around 3rd gear and 17 I lost you around 3rd gear and 17