Ol' Red

Blake Shelton

Well I caught my wife with another man And it cost me ninety nine On a prison farm in Georgia Close to the Florida line Well I'd been here for two long years I finally made the warden my friend And so he sentenced me to a life of ease Taking care of Ol Red

Now Ol' Red he's the damnedest dog that I've ever seen Got a nose that can smell a two day trail He's a four legged tracking machine You can consider yourself mighty lucky To get past the gators and the quicksand beds But all these years that I've been here Ain't nobody got past Red

[chorus] And the warden sang Come on somebody Why don't you run Ol' Red's itchin' to have a little fun Get my lantern Get my gun Red'll have you treed before the mornin' comes

Well I paid off the guard and I slipped out a letter To my cousin up in Tennessee Oh and he brought down a blue tick hound She was pretty as she could be Well they penned her up in the swampland 'Bout a mile just south of the gate And I'd take Ol' Red for his evening run I'd just drop him off and wait

[Repeat chorus]

Now Ol' Red got real used to seeing His lady every night And so I kept him away for three or four days And waited till the time got right Well I made my run with the evenin' sun And I smiled when I heard 'em let Red out 'Cause I was headed north to Tennessee And Ol' Red was headed south

[Repeat chorus]

Now there's red haired blue ticks all in the South Love got me in here and love got me out