

Livin' It Down

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My ship came and she sunk it
I was the toast of the town and she drunk it
I had a run of good luck and she ran it right into the ground
And now she's puttin' on a show and I get to play the clown

I had the wind in my sails and she took it
I had the world by the tail and she shook it
I reached out for a life line and she threw me a noose
I got the short end of the chicken and she got the golden goose

She's living it up and I'm tryin' to live it down
Just when I got it all together, it's all about to come unwound
Everybody laughin' behind my back, baby sure is a sad old sound
She's out there livin' it up and I'm trying to live it down

I had my ducks in a row and she shot 'em
I had my eggs in a basket she dropped 'em
I threw her outta the house but she was back like a boomerang
Sometimes you get the honey, sometime all you get is the stang

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Everybody laughin' behind my back, baby sure is a sad old sound
She's out there livin' it up and I'm trying to live it down
She's livin' it up and I may never live it down