

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 [Incomprehensible]
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 [Incomprehensible], city folks they don't know
It looks like a [Incomprehensible] but sounds like the lashes
Just listen the next time you watch it, said [Incomprehensible]

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Now these days the car seats and open container laws
Show sure correctness, 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 right 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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