Gail With The Golden Hair

The Handsome Family

Out in the red rock desert Sitting on the roof of my car Drinking cans of warm beer Watching the sky get dark

Gail and I shot our empties With an old rusted rifle Her golden hair went flying Like a wild brush fire

When the mountains turn red at dusk

Time passed in the burning desert And the tumbleweeds, they tumbled We lay in a golden fire As the screaming buzzards circled

Far down the darkened valley The city lights still twinkle But my eyes saw only beauty And her hair in golden fire

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But the fire burned right through her It followed unseen voices They led her to the city Deep in the darkened valley

I drove circles through the alleys Calling my burning lover But Gail ran deeper into the gloom Screaming at the streetlights

And I lost her there forever Deep in the valley's darkness My Gail with the golden hair That burned as bright as fire

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