

## **Lovett Lyle**

# **"South Texas Girl"**

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(Guy Clark)

Saint Mother Maria watch over us please  
As we wonder around in this dangerous world  
Thank Mother Maria there's nothing so sweet  
As the undying love of a South Texas girl

(Lyle Lovett)

Three in the front seat they sat on each side  
That green-and-white 58 Fairlane it would glide  
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  
Stealing 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

Sing Mother Maria watch over us please  
As we wonder around in this dangerous world  
Thank Mother Maria there's nothing so sweet  
As the undying love of a South Texas girl

And with the windows wide open it felt hot to us anyway  
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 U-tote-M

They say the name Corpus Christi means the body of  
Jesus  
Pronounce it Refugio city folks they don't know  
It looks like Palacios but sounds like  
Just listen the next time you're watchin' Sid Lasher

And the wind blew the echoes of long-faded voices  
And they would sing me a song that the old cowboys

sang  
And I didn't know what the words meant or anything  
I was just singing

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And I didn't know what the words meant or anything  
I was just singing

And these days with car seats and open container laws  
Social correctness leaves no room for Santa Claus  
Sitting right next to me she looks like that used to be  
Song that they sang for me

And with the windows wide open it feels hot to us  
anyway  
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 am still singing

Saint Mother Maria watch over us please  
As we wonder around in this dangerous world  
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Saint Mother Maria watch over us please  
As we stumble around in this dangerous world  
Thank Mother Maria there's nothing so sweet  
As the undying love of a South Texas girl  
As the undying love of a South Texas girl

(Music ends)

(Guy Clark)  
Saint Mother Maria watch over us please  
As we wonder around in this dangerous world  
Thank Mother Maria there's nothing so sweet  
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(Everyone)  
Saint Mother Maria watch over us please  
As we wonder around in this dangerous world  
Thank Mother Maria there's nothing so sweet  
As the undying love of a South Texas girl

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