

## Patty Loveless "Big Chance"

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Well, there's a boy down Shelby Gap  
And I like sittin' on his lap  
I'm his gal and he's my man  
We been makin' weddin' plans

Brought him home to meet my ma  
She raised Cain and dropped her jaw  
"Girl, you're crazy as a bat, you ain't gonna marry that"

Looka here mama, looka here daddy  
This is my true love, we're gonna get married  
Ain't a gonna hem-haw, ain't a gonna tarry  
This is my big chance, we're gonna get married

Oh, mama, daddy, can't you see  
Holler's closin' in on me  
Cousins pourin' down like rain  
They're runnin' out of given names  
It's so crowded I can't breathe  
You need one less mouth to feed  
Forty dozen here at home  
You won't miss me when I'm gone  
Looka here mama, looka here daddy  
This is my true love, we're gonna get married  
Ain't a gonna hem-haw, ain't a gonna tarry  
This is my big chance, we're gonna get married

Oh, he's the prettiest in these hills  
I don't hitch him, some gal will  
You just messed up my big chance  
For married bliss and true romance  
Two things y'all don't realize  
Shelby boys is mighty shy  
And courtin' life is extra hard  
If I can't keep 'em in the yard

Oh, another one gone

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