

Reckless Kelly

"She sang the Red River Valley"

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At General Delivery she picks up her mail
Her momma says Johnny just got out of jail
She hopes he don't know where she's at
How could she have ever loved that kind of cat

She remembers the dance in the moonlight
From the Hall to the back of his car
He taught her how to drink whiskey
Three chords on a pawn shop guitar

She remembers the first time he kissed her
Back when the feeling was new
And she sang the Red River Valley
For the cowboy who loved her so true

She's working each night at what she knows best
Hanging in bars with professional guests
She picks up a young buckaroo
Because he reminds of her of someone she knew

The telephone rings off the hook by her bed
The other ends Johnny with a gun to his head
He said "You always looked good in black"
The next thing she heard was a bone chilling crack
She pulls into town just at sunrise
Her momma has strong coffee on
She said "You know he's always been crazy
It's best for us all that he's gone."

So at the request of the family
A service was held for a few
And she sang the Red River Valley
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From the cowboy who loved her so true

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