

The Breakdown

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Well the car broke down in a one stop town
Just before he was 'bout to turn around
Not a single city limit sign to see where he's at
When you're out that far your only options are
Getting gone in the town dive bar
And if you knew him you'd know he's good at that

He was looking for peace with every new drink that he'd start
But the words that made him leave
Stuck with him like a scar

She said when I'm with you life spins around
I can feel us flyin' so don't look down
Won't you hold my hand real tight so you don't drop me
She said there ain't a better time to decide if you want me

Well that bartender saw him in those eleven
Empty shot glasses so he went and started guessing
What it was that was tearing him apart
Well the man said, "listen my story's kinda different
Pay close attention 'cause you might not get it
But let's just say it was trouble from the start"

Well she told me that she loved me and I should feel so blessed
But the thought of hurting that girl
Scares me half to death

He said "when I'm with her life spins around
I can feel us flying but I weigh her down
If she's got me she'll never get where she needs to go
She may not see that now but one day she'll know"

Well the girl back home found that note
Tears started staining all the words he wrote
While he was trying to get that old Ford on the road
She read his words again and again
He broke her heart with truck keys and a pen
But she'll keep this line until she's old

Well I just talked to God
And we feel this is best
Trust me if I didn't love you
I'd have never left

The truck got fixed
The note got flipped
The breakdown's over
But another's setting in
And they said
Hang a left
And 66 will take you west

But as the years went by her life spun back 'round
He's on the knee the last one never found
And so there'll be diamond ring and wedding bells
But she still has nights where her eyes don't close
Breaking down by her porch window

Hoping some way somehow
She can wish him well

But he's all alone
And nobody knows where
But if he listens real close
He still hears her in the air