

Cowgirl Dreams

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When I was thinkin' 'bout growin' up
I dreamed of cowboys and shoot 'em ups.
I needed a horse and a real strong man
To ride with, and talk to about my plans.

Well, out of the sunset here he come
With a horse and saddle and even a gun.
And tellin' me things 'bout all he knew
Of things he'd done, and would do, too.

My dream of finding a cowboy came true
He bucked like a bronc! It was all I could do
('Cuz he wore the boots and I wore his name.)
To stay in the saddle, 'cuz he had a claim.

I tried to be patient while he'd stack them z's
Waitin' on a man I could never please!
Crawl out of the sack and ask for brunch.
I cooked for him so I called it lunch!

I hunkered down and rose above...
God sent three girls to bring me His love!
And glad I was to be a mother.
Life was tough but we knew no other.

He'd put us on horses he had bought
To see if they were as fine as he'd thought.
They'd spin and jump, we held onto the horn,
I admit some days we felt angry and torn.

We din't need that man to teach us to ride!
We had all the tools way deep inside.
But God sends us people to make us tough!
And the Lord plus that guy was just enough!

To this very day when facin' a battle
I use what I learned 'bout handlin' cattle
From a crazy maverick duckin' calf
I thought was a cowboy, but wasn't half.

The Lord sent the one I'd been hopin' for
When I wasn't lookin' for cowboys no more.

My heart wasn't in it, my eyes were dry
No longer felt feelin's, It was all a lie.

Didn't notice at the time of course,
But I laugh when I tell you, he rode a white horse!
He spoke kindly to others, so I gave him a listen.
He made us laugh. Guess that's what was MISSIN'!

In various versions the story is told
How that cowboy spilt love from his heart of gold,
Til I cinched 'er down and became his wife
My heart split wide open, we got a new life!

The Lord can shoot straight with a crooked finger,
And mends what is broke if we will but linger
And seek Him in the valley where the devil rides
Til He brings us to the campfire where Love resides.

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