

Tom T. Hall, Ravishing Ruby

Ravishing ruby, she'd been around for awhile
Ravishing ruby, she was a truckstop child
Born in the back of a rig somewhere near I.a.
Ravishing ruby, you poured a lot of hot coffee in your day

Ravishing ruby, believe anything you say
Just like her daddy said, said he'd be back someday
She was just fourteen, she grew up wild and free
And all the time she'd be waitin' on him, she'd been waiting on you and me

Ravishing ruby, she sleeps in a bunk out back
Her days and nights are filled with dreams of a man named smilin' jack

That was her daddy's name and that's all she ever knew
Ravishing ruby ain't got time for guys like me and you

Ravishing ruby, a beautiful young girl now
Ravishing ruby, she made a solemn vow
Waitin' on smilin' jack, he'll come rollin' by
And she wants to see him, she wants to touch him either way, dead or alive

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