James Bonamy, She's Got a Mind of Her Own

(Billy Livsey/Don Schlitz)

She was nine years old when I first met her
She didn't dress like anyone
When she ran in a race the boys couldn't catch her
I stood back and let her run
I used to walk her home after school
Every chance that I could
I'd say to her "you're not like the other girls"
And she'd say "good"

She's got a mind of her own She don't care what they say They can tell her she won't But she will anyway She's got a mind of her own But her heart belongs to me

The world turned and ten years later
I was playin' in a band
She was chasin' an education
College boys beggin' for her hand
I used to call her late at night
Every chance that I could
I'd say to her "I can't get you out of my mind"
And she'd say "good"

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Here we are, a few turns later
She still don't dress like anyone
People say she's got no limits
I stand back and let her run
But when the lights go out at night
What we're feelin' is understood
I'd say to her "you're not like the other girls"
And she'd say "good"

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