

455 Rocket

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Mr. [C] Smith had an Oldsmobile

[F] Baby blue with wire wheels.

[C] I took her home the day that she was adver [G⁷] tised

[C] He said she leaned when it would rain

[F] And sounded like an aeroplane

[C] But I knew she was a [G⁷] jewel in dis [C] guise

Chorus [C] She had a 4---55 [F] rocket, the biggest block alive

[C] I couldn't hardly wait just to take my [G⁷] turn

[C] She was made for the straight aways

[F] She grew up hating Chevrolets

[C] She's a rocket, [G⁷] she was made to [C] burn

[C] Whose junkpile piece of Chevelle is this?

[F] You boys come here to race or just kiss?

[C] Don't you want to [G⁷] know what I got underneath my hood?

[C] I know she might sound like she's missing

[F] But buddy, she could teach you a lesson

[C] In just a quarter [G⁷] mile, and I'll [C] smoke you good

Chorus [C] In my 455 [F] Rocket, the kind the police drive

[C] I couldn't hardly wait just to take my [G⁷] turn

[C] She was made for the straight aways

[F] She grew up hating Chevrolets

[C] She's a rocket, [G⁷] she was made to [C] burn.

[C] I'm telling you and I ain't ashamed

[F] I cried when that wrecker came

[C] As we skid I thought I heard the angels [G⁷] sing

[C] We hit the curve and began to sail

[F] Took out most of the safety rail

[C] Even the cop asked me [G⁷] "Man, what'd you have in that [C] thing?"

Chorus [C] I had a 455 [F] Rocket, the very kind you drive

[C] You oughta watch yourself when you take that [G⁷] turn

[C]'Cause she was made for the straight aways

[F] She grew up hating Chevrolets

[C] She's a rocket, [G⁷] she was made to [C] burn, burn

[C] Lord, she's a rocket [G⁷] she was made to [C] burn

Audio - Francine Reed - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M28lFb9rQEY>

Video - Kathy Mattea - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kQZV6q00sUc>

Audio - Gillian Welch and David Rawlings - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=78y6atva3jg>