

Mineral Wells

Tom Russell

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(capo 3rd fret)

Intro:

G (alternate between |320003| and |302003| intro only)

G

She was livin in a cadillac

G

Bedded down in the back seat

G

D

On a back street of the Hollywood hills

D

With a shoebox museum of memories

D

G

Old photos and medical bills

G

She d been a great actress in two dozen movies

G

G7

C

Played Shakespeare on the great London stage

C

G

Before the three husbands, six kids and bad breaks

G D

G

Of fifty-eight odd years of age

G

Him they called fat boy wore grey overalls

G

D

And he clocked in at four hundred pounds

D

With a passion for food and film magazines

D **G**
 He d been a great critic downtown
G
 He d seen all her movies, worshipped her face
G **G7** **C**
 Heard her story and took her on in
C **G**
 Though she bore no resemblance to the star he adored
G **D** **G** **G7**
 The film s over before real life begins

Chorus:

G7 **C**
 She told him of a fountain of youth
C **D**
 In the hot Texas earth
D **C**
 It ll heal and renew us
C **D**
 It s somewhere west of Fort Worth
D **C**
 And she met Errol Flynn there
C **G** **C**
 In the Crazy Water Hotel
C **Am**
 And they danced down the street
Am **D** **C**
 In the moonlight of old Mineral Wells

G (alternate between |320003| and |302003|)

G
 So they boarded a greyhound in search of the fountain
G **D**
 Fat boy and the aging film queen
D
 Through the Great Painted Desert and all across Texas
D **G**
 Amarillo plain to Abilene
G
 They got off in Fort Worth for a fresh cup of coffee
G **G7** **C**
 Caught the local to old Mineral Wells
C **G**
 And it dropped them in front of that boarded up palace
G **D** **G**
 Called the Crazy Water Hotel

G
 Disillusioned they found a cheap room off the highway
G **D**

Drank vodka from a styrofoam cup

D

There d be no healing return to the past

D

G

The fountain of youth had dried up

G

So the critic and the film star held hands and drank vodka

G

G7

C

As the great Texas sun rose and fell

C

G

And drunk but still dreaming they waltzed down the street

G

D

G

G7

In the moonlight of old Mineral Wells

Repeat Chorus

C Am

They danced down the street

Am D

G

C

G

D

G

In the moonlight of old Mineral Wells

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Live duet with Katy Moffatt

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