

Self-Driving Truck Blues (music and lyrics by Fred Powell, ascap)

E                      E7  
I got pastures of plenty, fences to mend.  
A                      A7  
The chickens need feeding, there's cattle to tend,  
E                      B7  
but all that work is going to wait for another day.  
E                      E7  
I've got errands to run and supplies to fetch.  
A                      A7  
I should have left early, but there's just one catch.  
E                      B7                      E  
My self-driving truck, done drove itself off again.

I was working a windmill when I turned around,  
that autonomous beast, was not to be found.  
My ride had decided it was high time to high tail away.  
With no one around to take my call,  
I walked three miles home, then stood in the hall.  
And found my wife and dog had left me on the very same day.

A                      A7  
I could have been happy, would have been satisfied,  
E  
To stay behind the wheel of a conventional ride.  
A                      A7  
My friends are all laughing, it's been quite a blow.  
E                      B7  
Even Siri said, "I told you so."

Let me be straight, I'm just a regular guy,  
In no way prepared for automotive A.I.  
I'd have to admit that it was just not meant to be.  
That wife brought in all kinds of fancy devices,  
When she left, she left me with only my vices,  
shells for the twelve, and a bottle of cheap whiskey.

I could have been happy, would have been satisfied,  
To stay at home with a dependable bride.  
My friends are all laughing, it's been quite a blow.  
Even Siri said, "I told you so."

I don't like machines that think or talk,  
to try to fool a fool and try to make him walk.  
So I saddled my horse, and thought to take a chance.....  
We caught up to that truck at the charging station.  
He was necking with a Tesla, out here on vacation.  
I pulled the plug and killed the spark of that romance.

My friends are all back and taking my side.  
Liking the way that I tamed my ride.  
As for my ex, I'm glad to see her go,  
Even Siri said, "I told you so."

Why not learn from someone sadder but wiser.  
Think of me as your high-tech cowboy advisor.  
Don't lose you head, just use your GPS.....  
...and have a manual switch installed on the dash  
In case your ride decides to do something rash.  
...and your self-driving truck will never run amok,  
...no Sci-Fi ride is gonna leave your side,  
...your self-driving truck will never drive itself off, again.