

Love Song To A Stranger

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1. How long since I've spent a whole night
In a twin bed with a stranger
His warm arms all around me?
How long since I've gazed in the dark eyes
That melted my soul down
To a place where it longs to be?

All of your history
Has little to do with your face
You're mainly a mystery
With violins filling in space
Hmmm-hmmm

2. You stood in the nude by the mirror
And picked out a rose
From the bouquet in our hotel
And lay down beside me again
And I watched the rose
On the pillow as it fell

I sank and I slept in a twilight
With only one care
To know that when day broke and I awoke
That you'd still be there
You'd still be there

3. The hours for once they passed slowly
Unendingly by
Like a sweet breeze on a field
Your gentleness came down upon me
And I guess I thanked you
When you caused me to yield

We spoke not a sentence
Took not a footstep beyond
Our two days together which seemingly
Soon would be gone
Soon would be gone

4. Don't tell me of love everlasting
And other sad dreams
I don't want to hear
Just tell me of passionate strangers
Who rescue each other
From a lifetime of cares

Because if love means forever
Expecting nothing returned
Then I hope I'll be given another
Whole lifetime to learn
Hmmm-hmmm

5. Because you gave to me oh so many things
It makes me wonder
How they could belong to me
And I gave you only my dark eyes
Which melted your soul down

To the place where it longs to be.