

## Mama I Tried

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You had big plans, I understand  
You wanted more for me than you ever got from a man  
Fancy dresses, big diamond rings  
House full of babies and designer blue jeans

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I cheated, and I lied  
I painted up my face like a rodeo clown  
And I choked on cheap perfume as I spread myself around  
I strutted my stuff at every juke joint in town  
Always a bridesmaid, never the bride  
Mama, Mama I tried

I got so close so many times  
Now I'll never get back the best years of my life  
Empty proposals, all talk no show  
It's gettin' too hard to keep holdin' on, now you've got to let  
it go

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Lord have mercy  
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