My True Name

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Let me call you darlin', maybe call you sweetheart Don't you hate it when they call you Louise But isn't it scary, when they want to call you Mary A whore, or a saint, or a tease. But you came here in summer, you'd been living in Manhattan You caught me wide eyed and half sane But you saw to my center past every imposter And you whispered My True Name I have been Betty, Eleanor and Rosie I've been the shamed Magdaline And if the truth be known I've attempted Saint Joan Donna, and Sarah, and Jane For we all have our heros and we all have tormentors And we'll play them again and again But you saw to my center, past every imposter And you whispered My True Name And if you see me standing on the banks of Lake Griffy Throwing white bits of paper to the wind I'm just throwing the shards, of all my calling cards And I'm speaking My True Name I'm just throwing the shards, of all my calling cards And I'm whispering My True Name