I met an old man one night in a bar He was sitting alone The way men his age always are His movements were slow Didn't speak very well But every old man has a story to tell He lived by the book Went to church every day But his wife left him young With two daughters and bills to pay He worked himself hard And the years flickered past His girls kept him young But they grew up so fast Prodigal faith always felt second best When she turned seventeen She took her coat and her camera And headed west It broke her dad's heart But as he likes to say With enough time apart Even faith fades away Jenny met Ray in his last days ashore They married in May And that August he joined the war He said Jenny don't cry I'll be home in the fall So she held her head high And said nothing at all Then he got in a plane Took it up in the air It never came down For all she knows it's stlil Flying around up there Then Jenny went wrong And the last that I heard It's been seven years long Since she uttered a word Seven years gone Since she uttered a word Now her father just sits All alone at the bar He orders his drinks And smokes cigarettes He knows he can't afford He's got no regrets Says he's doing quite well But every old man Has a story to tell