## Manuela

**Globus** 

She curls up like a ball at the sound of thunder The distant guns are closing fast Her body's hard as stone as her heart is tender Forget your past, Manuela

She finds the strength to heal in her darkest hour Confronting soldiers as she sleeps
Her solitude is bold, but she fights for comfort
With a friend she keeps, Manuela

Run from the night and emerge into day Banish those demons as you pull away Weakened by flight but empowered by will To live and breathe a newer day

She cries out with a plea from those burning embers That took her little girl away Standing shoulder deep in a town of rubble Alive but trapped, Manuela

Lost in a world of unending design
We cannot find the path to travel on
All I can offer this brave battered soul
Is a weathered hand to rest upon

The fires of Guernica are ablaze forever
Behind those dark devoted eyes
Your day of rest will come when the shells stop falling
From angry skies, Manuela

I'll tend to your heart, Manuela

Forget your past, Manuela