

# 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.