

## Where Have You Been?

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Claire had all but given up  
When she and Edwin fell in love  
She touched his face and shook her head  
In disbelief, she sighed and said  
In many dreams I've held you near  
Now, at last, you're really here!

Where've you been?  
I've looked for you forever and a day  
Where've you been?  
I'm just not myself when you're away

He asked her for her hand for life  
And she became a salesman's wife  
He was home each night by eight  
But one stormy evening, he was late  
Her frightened tears fell to the floor  
Until his key turned in the door

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I've looked for you forever and a day  
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They'd never spent a night apart  
For sixty years she heard him snore  
Now they're in a hospital  
In separate beds on different floors

Claire soon lost her memory  
Forgot the names of family  
She never spoke a word again  
Then one day, they wheeled him in  
He held her hand and stroked her head  
In a fragile voice she said

Where've you been?  
I've looked for you forever and a day  
Where've you been?  
I'm just not myself when you're away  
No, I'm just not myself when you're away