## **Brooklyn Boy**

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Brooklyn boy, born and raised, chopping lines
Hey hey, it's my birthday
It's a toy I torched, a tar pit flame, a lockjaw night
Hey hey, it's my birthday

Dead end friends that make your stomach shake While your hissing head barrels down that blackened lane Alone at last to figure how you got this way Alone at last to figure how you got this way

Charcoal clouds spot and spray, they kill the sun Hey hey, hear its back break
So I can never tell night from day
Or right from wrong,
Hey hey, you're my headache

Your silver tongue it masks your hungry hate While your haggard heart whispers through its cracking cage You still can change, you have to know, you still can change I know, I know, for now I wanna be this way

This was a choice, this was never a mistake