I'm a writer and a lover
I'm a Midwest music man
And I've been to a lot of places
But I'm gon' end where I began
I took class in Carolina
Got high smoking joints
And now they know my name in Paris

But I'll be buried in Detroit

Next to my father, and my father's father too

I used to live in New York City

But baby, that ain't no substitute

Not for my hometown

That place people avoid

I've made love in every city

But I'll be buried in Detroit

I don't claim to be a prophet
I just speak my mind
I try to tell it like it is
And sometimes God makes it rhyme
I like my songs how I like my women
Honest and to the point
You see I got fucked up in Stockholm

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You know I ain't gon' live forever
Baby, it won't be long
At the wake they'll say "He made a lot of mistakes,
But he could write hell of a song"
And I made, I made killing
Though I never really was employed
I had a girl from San Diego

But I'll be buried in
I killed a show in Indonesia
But I'll be buried in
I made love in every city
But I'll be buried in Detroit