Once upon a time there was a tavern where we used to raise a gl ass or two

Remember how we laughed away the hours

And dream of all the great things we would do

Those were the days my friend we thought they'd never end

We'd sing and dance forever and a day

We'd live the life we chose we'd fight and never lose

For we were young and sure to have our way

Then the busy years went rushing by us we lost our starry notio ns on the way

If by chance I'd see you in the tavern we'd smile at one anothe r and we'd say

Those were the days my friend we thought they'd never end We'd sing and dance forever and a day

We'd live the life we chose we'd fight and never lose

Those were the days oh yes those were the days

Just tonight I stood before the tavern nothing seemed the way i t used to be

In the glass I saw a strange reflection was that lonely woman $\ensuremath{\mathbf{r}}$ eally me

Those were the days my friend...

Through the door there came familiar laughter

I saw your face and heard you call my name

Oh my friend we're older but no wiser for in our hearts our dre ams are still the same

Those were the days my friend...

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