Leningrad

Kuschelrock

Viktor was born in the spring of '44

And never saw his father anymore
A child of sacrifice, a child of war

Another son who never had a father after Leningrad
Went off to school and learned to serve the state
Followed the rules and drank his vodka straight
The only way to live was drown the hate
A Russian life was very sad and such was life in Leningrad
I was born in '49

A cold war kid in McCarthy time
Stop 'em at the 38th Parallel
Blast those yellow reds to hell
And cold war kids were hard to kill
Under their desk in an air raid drill
Haven't they heard we won the war
What do they keep on fighting for?

Viktor was sent to some Red Army town Served out his time, became a circus clown

The greatest happiness he'd ever found

Was making Russian children glad and children lived in Leningrad

But children lived in Levittown

And hid in the shelters underground

Until the Soviets turned their ships around

Tore the Cuban missiles down

And in that bright October sun

We knew our childhood days were done

And I watched my friends go off to war

What do they keep on fighting for?

So my child and I came to this place

To meet him eye to eye and face to face

He made my daughter laugh, then we embraced

We never knew what friends we had until we came to Leningrad

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