

Hero In Your Own Hometown

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We were born during the boom times
Played house down in the bomb shelter
Suffered through the wonder years
And silence at the dinner hour But once upon a summertime
Out behind the old garage
We were buzzing on midnight
Luckys and Rolling Rock Thinking we were
Heroes in our own hometown
Nothing less than
Heroes in that old hometown Some married on a day in June
Some disappeared without a trace
And some of us are still at large
Still searching for a better place But once upon another time
Didn't matter what they said
And didn't matter if we fell behind
We'd still come out ahead 'Cause we believed
In heroes in that old hometown
Hey, you could be
A hero in your own hometown Now I'm long away and very far
From gazing at an evening sky
From wishing on a shooting star
From thinking that a heart can't lie This world is gonna wear you thin
Knot you up and spin you round
This world will take it's aim
Call you every name, trying to bring you down Everything seems so clear
When you're looking back from such a distance
When the road not taken disappears
Into the path of least resistance But once upon a time
Oh, so long ago
Underneath this same old sky
Every brand new road Would know that
We were heroes in our own hometown
(Heroes in our own hometown)
Nothing less than
Heroes in that old hometown
(Heroes in our own hometown) We still loved
A hero in our own hometown
(Heroes in our own hometown)
Baby, you could be

A hero in your own hometown

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