

# Dead to the World

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Dead to the world my body was sleepin'  
On my mind was nothin' at all  
Come a mist, an air so appealing  
I'm here a whisperin', you summoned, I called I formed me a presence whose aspect was changin'  
Oh, he would shift, he would not shift at all  
We sat for a while, he was very engagin'  
And when he was gone, I was gone on a smile With a strange way of walkin'  
And a strange way of breathin'  
More lives than a cat that let me astray  
All in all, he captured my heart  
Dead to the world and I just slipped away I heard me a music that drew me to dancin'  
Lo, I turned under his spell  
I opened my coat but he never came closer  
I bolted the door and whispered, oh well With a strange way of walkin'  
And a strange way of breathin'  
More lives than a cat that let me astray  
All in all, he captured my heart  
Dead to the world and just slipped away I laid in the rushes, the air was upon me  
Wonderin', well, I just couldn't discern  
Will he come back, come back to me?  
Oh, I whispered will you ever return? I was feelin' sensations in no dictionary  
He was less than a breath of shimmer and smoke  
The life in his fingers unwound my existence  
Dead to the world alive I awoke With a strange way of walkin'  
And a strange way of breathin'  
Less than a breath of shimmer and smoke  
The life in his fingers unwound my existence  
Dead to the world alive I awoke Alive I awoke  
(Alive)  
Alive I awoke  
(Alive I awoke)  
Alive  
(I awoke) I awoke  
(I awoke)  
I awoke  
(Alive)  
Alive, alive, oh  
(Alive)  
(Alive)

Alive, alive, oh  
Alive, alive, oh

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