

# Cleopatra

## The Lumineers

I was Cleopatra, I was young and an actress  
When you knelt by my mattress, and asked for my hand  
But I was sad you asked it, as I laid in a black dress  
With my father in a casket, I had no plans And I left the footprints, the mud stained on the carpet  
And it hardened like my heart did when you left town  
But I must admit it, that I would marry you in an instant  
Damn your wife, I'd be your mistress just to have you around But I was late for this, late for that, late for the  
love of my life  
And when I die alone, when I die alone, when I die I'll be on time While the church discouraged, any lust that  
burned within me  
Yes my flesh, it was my currency, but I held true  
So I drive a taxi, and the traffic distracts me  
From the strangers in my backseat, they remind me of you But I was late for this, late for that, late for the love of  
my life  
And when I die alone, when I die alone, when I die I'll be on time And the only gifts from my Lord were a birth  
and a divorce  
But I've read this script and the costume fits, so I'll play my part I was Cleopatra, I was taller than the rafters  
But that's all in the past now, gone with the wind  
Now a nurse in white shoes leads me back to my guestroom  
It's a bed and a bathroom  
and a place for the end I won't be late for this, late for that, late for the love of my life  
And when I die alone, when I die alone, when I die I'll be on time

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