Long Live the Queen

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Well, I was sipping on a whiskey when I got the call

My friend Lex was lying in the hospital

She'd been pretty sick for about half a year

But it seemed like this time the end was drawing nearSo I dropped my plans and jumped the next London train

I found her laid up and in a lot of pain

Her eyes met mine and then I understood

That her weather forecast wasn't looking goodSo I sat and spun her stories for a little while

Tried to raise the mood, tried to raise a smile

But she silenced all my ramblings with a shake of her head

Drew me close to listen and this is what she saidYou'll live to dance another day

It's just now you'll have to dance for the two of us

So stop looking so damn depressed

And sing with all your heart that the queen is deadShe told me she was sick of all the hospital food

Of doctors, distant relatives draining her blood

She said, "I know I'm dying but I'm not finished just yet

I'm dying for a drink and for a cigarette"So we hatched a plan to book ourselves

A cheap hotel in the center of the city and then raise some hell

Lay waste to all the clubs and then when

Everyone else is long asleep then we'll know we're good and done The queen is dead

South London's not the same any more

The last of the greats has finally gone to bedWell, I was working on some words when Sarah called me up

She said that Lex had gone to sleep and wasn't waking up

And even though I knew that there was nothing to be done

I felt bad for not being there and now she was goneSo I tried to think what Lex would want me to do

At times like this when I was feeling blue

So I gathered some friends to spread the sad

Sad news and we headed for the city for a drink or two and we sangWe live to dance another day

It's just now we have to dance for one more of us

So let's stop looking so damn depressed

And sing with all our hearts, "Long live the queen"

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