

# Love Song to a Stranger

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How long since I've spent a whole night in a twin bed with a stranger?  
His warm arms all around me  
How long since I've gazed in the dark eyes that melted my soul down  
To a place where it longs to be?  
All of your history has little to do with your face  
You're mainly a mystery with violins filling in space  
You stood in the nude by the mirror and picked out a rose  
From the bouquet in our hotel  
And lay down beside me again and I watched the rose  
On the pillow as it fell  
I sank and I slept in a twilight with only one care  
To know that when day broke and I woke that you'd still be there  
You'd still be there  
The hours for once they passed slowly, unendingly by  
Like a sweet breeze on a field  
Your gentleness came down upon me and I guess I thanked you  
When you caused me to yield  
We spoke not a sentence, took not a footstep beyond  
Our two days together which seemingly soon would be gone  
Soon would be gone  
Don't tell me of love everlasting and other sad dreams  
I don't want to hear  
Just tell me of passionate strangers who rescue each other  
From a lifetime of cares  
'Cause if love means forever expecting nothing returned  
Then I hope I'll be given another whole lifetime to learn

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