Love in a Memory

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She sleeps alone in the warm nights of Memphis
Where the Peabody Hotel meets the velveteen sky
She sings like the waves in the cool Mississippi
That brought her from St. Paul in '75And men come to court her with roses and sweet wine
Where hands cross the ivories from six until nine
She sings away sorrows each night when she leaves him
She goes home alone, she's not the marrying kindAnd love is a memory that she'll always hold
'Cause love in a memory never grows old
Why she did leave him, well nobody knows
And love in a memory, never grows oldAnd he works the toll booth on the New Jersey turnpike
The ring on his finger grows cold to the bone
His sons were young dreamers who cheat on their own wives
He still dreams of St. Paul when he's cheating alone

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