

# Elephant Ears

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She was 9 years old, goin' on grown  
Shuffled around from home to home  
And no matter what, wherever she went  
She carried with her a stuffed elephant  
And her new family knew she was afraid to say I love you  
'Cause she thought she'd have to move away again someday  
So she clutched her little friend as they tucked her in and then  
Said it'll be okay, all you have to say is Elephant ears  
That'll be our code  
When you can't say I love you  
But you want someone to know  
Sometimes it's what you see and not just what you hear  
So all you have to say is elephant ears  
But they loved that girl like she was their child  
A sad little face became a big smile  
And years passed by while they turned to grey  
She took care of them 'til they passed away  
And in their home sweet home she wondered all alone  
Where memories lined the halls from wall to wall  
And in their old bedroom her elephant heirloom  
Was sittin' on the shelf and she said to herself Elephant ears  
That'll be our code  
When you can't say I love you  
But you want someone to know  
Sometimes it's what you see and not just what you hear  
So all you have to say is elephant ears  
She stared at the photograph reminiscing all the years  
Then catches her reflection and her eyes fill up with tears  
Oh, she cried until she laughed when she realized instead  
That her lips were forming the words I love you  
When she said Elephant ears  
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