There Never Was a Time

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There was a time we'd sit in the backyard
'Cause the house would get so hot
From the summer sun, there was no way of sleepin'
And you'd play your old guitar, we'd fight mosquitoes and enjoy
Your backyard concerts for we had no televisionWe'd just begun our life as man and wife and hardships then
Could scarcely scare us into quittin'
Things were far from bein' fine, we often dined upon a dime
But there never was a time we didn't loveAnd that Christmas brought our saddest days
When your pride gave way when you told the kids
There'd be no gifts 'cause we were broke
Though their little tears of grief were so hard to see
It didn't hurt me like the lump I knew was in your throatIt was then with arms entwined, we both broke down and cried
For it seemed like nothing good would ever come
The doctor bills we couldn't pay, they came and took our car away
But there never was a time we didn't loveNow there's an easy chair for my back, a satin pillow for my head
And the kids are wild about the brand new car
You and I can order steak with all the trimmings
And not worry if we've spent a dollar more than we can spare
No wonder in our prayers we've thanked the man upstairsWho led us through the years of raisin' kids and payin' bills
And I think he guided us not because we were smart
But just because there never was a time we didn't love
No, there never was a time, never was a timeThere never was a time we didn't love

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