



WHISKEY SOAKED HEART





# **TEAR STAINED EYE**

Words and music: Jav Farrar

Walkin' down Main Street, getting to know the concrete | Lookin' for a purpose from a neon sign | I would meet you anywhere the western sun fills the air | Hit the road never lookin' behind

CHORUS >> Can you deny, there's nothing greater | Nothing more than the travelling hands of time | St. Genevieve can hold back the water | Saints don't bother with a tear stained eye

Seein' traces of the scars that came before | Hitting the pavement, still asking for more | When the hours don't move along, worn out wood and familiar song | To hear your voice is not enough, is more than a shame

#### CHORUS

Like a man said, rode hard and put away wet | Throw away the bad news and put it to rest | If learnin' is livin', and the truth is a state of mind | You'll find it's better at the end of the line

#### CHORUS



Words: Cushman | Music: Cushman and Christiansen

I'm cold in the morning and late at night, not hearing my name | The things | lost hold of, well, I'd take them back if only they was headed my way

CHORUS >> Annarose, carry me, carry me home | Let me know when you get there, let me know how it goes

I heard it was better to speak your mind to get where you need to go | The things I lost hold of, well, I'd have them still if only I'd known what to know

### CHORUS

There's light in the morning and peace at night when you're watching the stars | The things I lost hold of might still be there if only I knew where you are

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# **DIRTY OLD TOWN**

Words and music: Ewan MacColl

I met my love by the gasworks wall Dreamed a dream by the old canal I kissed my girl by the factory wall Dirty old town, dirty old town







Clouds are drifting across the moon Cats are prowling on their beat Springs a girl from the streets at night Dirty old town, dirty old town

I heard a siren from the dock Saw a train set the night on fire I smelled the spring on the smoky wind Dirty old town, dirty old town

I'm going to make me a big sharp axe Shining steel tempered in the fire I'll chop you down like an old dead tree Dirty old town, dirty old town

# TEN DEGREES AND GETTING COLDER

Words and music: Gordon Lightfoot

He was standing by the highway, with a sign that just said Mother | When he heard a driver comin' about a half a mile away | So he held that sign up higher where no decent soul could miss it | It was ten degrees or colder down by Boulder Dam that day

He was raised up in Milwaukee though he never was that famous | He was just a road musician, to the taverns he would go | Singin' songs about the ramblin', the lovin' girls and gamblin' | How the world fell on his shoulders back in Boulder | don't know

CHORUS >> And she told him she would take him for a ride in the mornin' sun | Back

in Boulder he had told her, I don't know when I've had a better friend

It was out in Arizona that he heard the lady listenin' | To each word that he was sayin' to each line that he would write | So he sat down at her table and they talked about the weather | Ninety-eight point six and risin' down by Boulder Dam that night

## **CHORUS**

Well he's traded off his Martin though his troubles are not over | For his feet are almost frozen and the sun is sinkin' low | So won't you listen to me brother if you ever loved your mother | Won't you pull off on the shoulder if you're goin' Milwaukee way | It's ten degrees and getting colder down by Boulder Dam today







# WHISKEY SOAKED HEART

Words: Cushman | Music: Cushman and Christiansen

Been awhile since you been gone, ain't no way to ask about the dog | If you thought to call I could tell you how many of these songs

Hold your whiskey soaked heart Hold your whiskey soaked heart

Yesterday I sat down and wrote but the ink disappeared on its own | You took off without a note, How many, how many of these roads

Hold your whiskey soaked heart Hold your whiskey soaked heart

Well those demons set sail a long time ago, leaving a wake of troubles turned to hope | And if the gods were kind and smiled then somebody else's arms know how to

Hold your whiskey soaked heart Hold your whiskey soaked heart



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# **MIRACLE**

Words: Christiansen | Music: Christiansen and Cushman

Ain't no miracle gonna save me now | Read Bible, Torah, Rumi and Tao | It all comes 'round to | and Thou | Ain't no miracle gonna save me now

My broken dreams don't ever die | I sent them away up to blue sky | Now years later they land by my side | My broken dreams don't ever die

My brother says, Don't let go My brother says, So it goes My brother says, Don't let go

This old world ain't really fair | Know my girls | am always there | For you my son | will always care | But this old world ain't really fair

Ain't no miracle gonna save this day | Nurture, choices and DNA | Wish there was more that I could say | Ain't no miracle gonna save this day

Father says, Keep the faith Father says, Lose the hate Father says, Keep the faith

Ain't no miracle gonna save me now Ain't no miracle gonna save me now Ain't no miracle gonna save this day And still I get down on my knees and pray







# **PRESENT**

Dedicated to Martin K. Christiansen, 1922 - 1982

Words: Cushman | Music: Cushman and Christiansen

If you ever wonder if I am thinking of you Watch the rain fall on our hearts | It makes its mark to wash the darkness away

And if I ever wonder if you are here beside me | Watch the tears fall on our souls Where we hold hope and light all our days

And if we ever wonder if we can walk the long road | Watch the sun give us this gift of the day | As we make our way through the here and now

# **GRAM**

Words: Cushman | Music: Cushman and Christiansen

We made a deal in the middle of the night To take away them lines around your eyes No affection, were the words that she said You surely know how to write a line

CHORUS >> And your life was just the finest bloom. like the desert after rain

You couldn't hear the angel's voice on the phone
Her softer words saying please come home
We rode it out to be beneath those trees
You surely know how to live alone

CHORUS

## **SNOW**

For Lila

Words: Cushman | Music: Cushman and Christiansen

Wrapping my heart with millions of ribbons of gold | You said the funniest things that I ever heard

When did you enter into every thought in my mind | Why didn't | miss you before you were here with that smile | Without you | didn't know laughing and running like fools through the snow | With heartaches all melting and somehow you already know







Where did you come from Where will you go How will we remember Will you ever know how truly I love you?

When did you enter into every thought in my mind | Why didn't | miss you before you were here with that smile | Without you | didn't know laughing and running like fools through the snow | With heartaches all melting and somehow you already know

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# MOONFLOWER BLUES

Music: Christiansen and Cushman



## **BORN WITH A BROKEN HEART**

Words: Christiansen | Music: Christiansen and Cushman

I was born with a broken heart, a restless spirit from the start | Mom and Dad gave me all they had, I was born with a broken heart | Nothing in me nor outside me has ever seemed to set me free | Now I'm singing not metaphorically, I was born with a broken heart

CHORUS >> And still every night I'm callin' out your name | I walk these lonely streets filled with pain | I'm rackin', rackin' on my brain | Dear God, please let it rain

Tasted love, sweet as a dove, descended from above | So fine and fair, a grace so rare, she freed me from despair | Then she left me high, she left me dry without so much as a goodbye | A love most true has left me blue. I was born with a broken heart

#### CHORUS

Who put these words up in my head | I wish I'd quit wishing to be dead | So many better things to be said

One more time, on down the line, let these engines unwind | One more climb, on up Big Hoss, give the coin of fate one more toss | If I find my love, if I find my joy, perhaps we'll have a little girl or boy | Keep them safe, keep them warm, and love them with my broken heart

#### CHORUS









## DIRT ROAD BLUES

Words and music: Bob Dylan

Walk down that dirt road 'til someone lets me ride | Walk down that dirt road 'til someone lets me ride | If I can't find my baby I'm gonna run away and hide

I've been pacin' 'round the room, hopin' maybe you'll come back | Pacin' 'round the room, hopin' maybe you'll come back | I've been prayin' for salvation, laying 'round in a one-room country shack

Walk down that dirt road until my eyes begin to bleed | Walk down that dirt road until my eyes begin to bleed | Until there's nothing left to see, chains have been shattered and I've been freed

I've been lookin' at my shadow, watchin' colors up above | Lookin' at my shadow, watchin' colors up above | I've been runnin' through the rain and hail lookin' for the sunny side of love

Walk down that dirt road until everything becomes the same | Walk down that dirt road until everything becomes the same | I'll keep on walkin' 'til I hear you holler out my name

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## Guests

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