

Emmylou Harris

"Blackhawk"

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Well, I work the double shift
In a bookstore on St. Clair
While he pushed the burning ingots
In Dofasco stinking air

Where the truth bites and stings
I remember just what we were
As the noon bell rings for
Blackhawk and the white winged dove

Hold on to your aching heart
I'll wipe the liquor from your lips
A small town hero never dies
He fades a bit and then he slips

Down into the blast furnace
In the heat of the open hearth
And at the punch clock, he remembers
Blackhawk and the white winged dove

I remember your leather boots
Pointing up into the sky
We fell down to our knees
Over there where the grass grew high

Love hunters in the night
Our faces turned into the wind
Blackhawk, where are you now?
Blackhawk and the white winged dove

We were Blackhawk
And the white winged dove
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And the white winged dove

Do you still have the ring I gave
On the banks of Lake Black Bear?
Where I felt certain that I knew you
My cool and distant debonair

Now we drink at Liberty Station
Another cup of muscatel

Wrapped in the strong arms of the Union
Raisin' kids from raisin' hell

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