

## **Lou Reed**

# **"The Day John Kennedy Died"**

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I dreamed I was the president of these united states  
I dreamed I replaced ignorance, stupidity and hate  
I dreamed the perfect union and a perfect law,  
undenied  
And most of all I dreamed I forgot the day john  
kennedy died

I dreamed that I could do the job that others hadn't  
done  
I dreamed that I was uncorrupt and fair to everyone  
I dreamed I wasn't gross or base, a criminal on the take  
And most of all I dreamed I forgot the day john  
kennedy died

Oh, the day john kennedy died  
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I remember where I was that day, I was upstate in a bar  
The team from the university was playing football on tv  
Then the screen went dead and the announcer said,  
"there's been a tragedy  
There's are unconfirmed reports the president's been  
shot  
And he may be dead or dying."

Talking stopped, someone shouted, "what!?" "

I ran out to the street  
People were gathered everywhere saying,  
Did you hear what they said on tv  
And then a guy in a porsche with his radio hit his horn  
And told us the news  
He said, "the president's dead, he was shot twice in the  
head  
In dallas, and they don't know by whom."

I dreamed I was the president of these united states  
I dreamed I was young and smart and it was not a  
waste  
I dreamed that there was a point to life and to the  
human race  
I dreamed that I could somehow comprehend that

someone  
Shot him in the face

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