

## Mary Gauthier "Lifetime"

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I called my mama yesterday  
To wish her happy birthday  
She said, "Baby, your mama's getting old  
And I'm damn glad to be alive today"

She said, "I'm 10 years cancer free  
And I thank the good Lord everyday  
But Marie, she's got it bad  
And honey, Patsy's passed away"

She said a lifetime ain't no time at all  
She said a lifetime ain't no time at all

I listened to my mama's voice  
And I felt a chill pass right through  
'Cos I've seen the virus take the boys  
And I've watched my friends get sick too

We talked about how Michael died  
With his friends around him everyday  
How we all took turns by his side  
How we helped him disappear that way

I know a lifetime ain't no time at all  
I know a lifetime ain't no time at all

Mama said, "Ain't we a mess?  
Child, we're full of life and scared of death  
It must be hell to watch your friends die young  
But getting old now, there's some fun"

You know, life'd mean nothing if we didn't die  
Laughter, empty, if we didn't cry  
It's all the way it's supposed to be  
But it moves fast and it's hard to see

'Cos a lifetime ain't no time at all  
Yes, a lifetime ain't no time at all  
A lifetime ain't no time at all  
A lifetime ain't no time at all

