

## Conor Oberst "Cape Canaveral"

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Oh, oh, oh brother totem pole  
I saw your legends lined up  
And I never felt more natural  
Apart, I just came apart

Please, please, please sister Socrates  
You always answer with a question  
Show some kindness to a petty thief  
Forgive, you did forgive

Watch the migrants smoke in the old orange grove  
And the red rocket blaze over Cape Canaveral  
You've been a father to me  
In 1960's speak  
In the comatose joy that we're on TV  
While the mountain's side was shining  
Wild colors of my destiny

I watched your face age backwards  
Changing shape in my memory  
You told me victory's sweet  
Even deep in the cheap seats

Hey, hey, hey mother interstate  
Can you deliver me from evil  
Make me honest make me wedding cake  
Atone, I will atone

Wait, wait, wait mighty outer-space  
All that flying saucer terror  
Made me lazy drinking lemonade  
A waste, it just went to waste

Like the Freon cold out the hotel door

Or the white rocket fade over Cape Canaveral  
You've been a daughter to me  
Your buried shoe-box grief  
I felt your poltergeist love like savannah heat  
While the waterfall was pouring  
Crazy symbols of my destiny

I watched your face die backwards  
Little baby in my memory  
You told me victory's sweet  
Even deep in the cheap seats

And you don't judge me  
That's not your style  
But I won't see you for a little while  
And there's no worries  
Whose got time  
All these changes are going to fill your mind

Like the citrus glow off the old orange grove  
Or the red rocket blaze over Cape Canaveral  
It's been a nightmare to me  
Some 1980's grief  
Gives me parachute dreams  
Like old war movies  
While the universe was drawn  
Perfect circles form infinity

I watched the stars get smaller  
Tiny diamonds in my memory  
I know that victory is sweet  
Even deep in the cheap seats

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