

## Neil Innes "Friends At The End"

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The telephone rings you pick it up you say hello, hello this is an old friend how are you I'm fine you say and you? There's a little awkward small talk and then the bad

Have you heard, so and so's caught the big one It was just like that right out of the blue You wanna know how how bad

Just a matter of time is the clinical view

Oh my, nobody wants to die but it can hit you right between the eyes When you're talking about friends at the end of the line

You put the phone down thinking oh god not another one

Then close to tears

You selfishly begin to count up all the loved ones you have lost

Over the years

You try to picture their faces while there's something going on

In the place where your stomach used to be Then you realize it's the oldest and the coldest feeling ever known to humanity

Fallen fruit must decompose
Feed the birds and busy those
The squirm around in the graveyard mud
Empty bedpans and wash away the blood
Oh my

Nobody wants to die but it can hit you right between the eyes

When you're talking about friends at the end of the line

On a cold and sunny late November day you walk around under clear blue skies Kick some leaves, sniff the bonfire smoke and attempt to philosophise How will it be when it's your turn to go?
Will you find a few famous last words to say?
Or will you simply fall asleep knowing that nothing in the universe ever really goes away?

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Here come all the suns
Here comes all the light
Everything and nothing in one
Sweet kiss goodnight
Everything and nothing
All creatures great and small
Everything and nothing
God bless us all
Worn out shoes
And rusty cars
We are all the stuff of stars
Sub atomic carbon based
Every day is made in space
As it was before your birth
Nothing lasts forever on earth

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