

Paul Williams "Goodbye Eddie Goodbye"

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We'll remember you forever, Eddie
Through the sacrifice you made
We can't believe the price you paid
For love...

Little Eddie meddie[?] born in Jersey City
Started singing when he was 5
Never knew his father, mother didn't bother
To catch his last name, fast as he came

He was often crying, times were really tryin'
Eddie left his mother alone
Soon there'd be a mystery, soon a baby sister
His mother kept on swingin, and Eddie kept on singing
A-Aaaaaaaaah, (shoowop shoowop) la la la laaaaaaaa
La la la laaaaaaaa

[Spoken in English with a Spanish accent]
And now, the tragic story... Eddie's sister, Mary Louise,
needed an operation.
To get the money, he would have to become an
overnight sensation.
Eddie believed the American people had wonderful,
love giving hearts.
His well publicized end, he considered would send his
memorial album to the top of the charts... AND IT DID!
A-Aaaaaaaaah, (shoowop shoowop) la la la laaaaaaaa
La la la laaaaa laaaaa
Shoowop shoowop aaaaaaaaah, shoowop shoowop
La la la laaaaaaaa
La la la laaaaa laaaaa
Goodbye... goodbye...

When a young singer dies, to our shock and surprise,
in a plane crash or flashy sports car. He becomes quite
well known and the kindness he's shown,
Made more than one post-mortem star. Well you did it
Eddie.
And though it's hard to applaud suicide_you gave all
you could give
So your sister could live. All America's choked up
inside, mon!

[Back to singing]
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[A single clap pierces the silence/then applause erupts]

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