

## Romane Serda

### "Family Of Lovers"

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(To Jay, whom I forgot to thank, and to the previous generation  
Of gay and lesbian people for making my life a little easier. -  
RR)  
Were you robbing the cradle?  
Or was I robbing the rocking chair?  
All I know is that I'm grateful  
And glad that you were there  
In a world that doesn't see us  
In a town where time stands still  
A young boy dreams of loving men  
In a land of Jack and Jill  
Well I was so naive back then  
And you were somewhat jaded  
But I recall your kindness  
Though our friendship has since faded  
Your house became an oasis  
From a home so unaware  
Of my need to feel accepted  
In a world that didn't care  
Well who else could have told me  
What my parents could not explain  
And saved me from self-hatred  
Confusion, doubt and pain  
Were you robbing the cradle?  
Or was I robbing the rocking chair?  
All I know is that I'm grateful  
And glad that you were there  
In a much more uncertain  
When my song was yet unsung  
It was you who helped me to grow up  
While I helped you to stay young  
And it makes me feel a part of  
A family of lovers  
Who survive a life of exile  
By caring for each other  
I'm not the first one to suffer  
And I'm probably not the last  
But I'm here to change the future  
'Cause I can't forget the past

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I'm glad that you were there

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