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"4th Of July"

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She was on fire and while an American
She burns it out probably just because she can
And if I had a dollar for everything I should have said
I'd probably still be busted I would throw it all away
again

The lighting bugs light up all across the southern sky
Some guys get it all and they don't even need to try
I watched you roll away but you din't even say good bye
And now I hate the night I'm guessing thats the reason
why

And this, this is my life
On the Fourth of July
It isn't much, but at least its mine

Got in my van, headed up to Boston
Thought about my friends and how easily I'd lost them
I'd do it all again, I'd leave everyone exhausted
Some folks get a break, me I never got one

I thought of you at night when I would drink too much
You thought about me too, you would never try to get in
touch
Went back to school and I ran into some guys I knew
We started up this band, but we couldn't seem to get it
through
We got some kicks eventually we lost that tune
Did you ever think if you're not happy its because of
you

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I got a job, selling ads for magazines
At night when I would play I would think about her
constantly
Everything I loved, it somehow got away from me
And suicide, I talked about it openly

I finally quit, or maybe I got fired I don't know
Doesn't matter just as long as it happened all
Added up the fears and the doubts I'd been living with
Songs of life, bugs and school and work and all that
shit

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I lost a girl sometime and a couple friends
Small talk and parties I never could stomach it
I'm old enough to say, I remember when, but
I don't have the time for your nostalgia or your
criticisms

You live and learn, me well I learn to let go
Parents and bosses and people who don't want you to
grow
I think that anything you want to, you can do
No one gonna tell me just who the hell I should sing to

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