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"Marilyn Monroe/Neon and Waltzes"

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Sun will stop shinin' and hearts will stop poundin'
The screen is so lonely tonight
The men are out prayin' and the women are sayin'
She died for the loss of her prime and lived on
DiMaggio time

So farewell you old tinsel city
With your waltz in the mornin' and your neon at night
I've bathed in your loneliness, drank of your wine
And I lived on DiMaggio time

And hearts felled to paradise still rest in her eyes
She was no fading light

Oh, hot night in August, so long to the goddess
America's fatherless child
Immortal's forever, the queen of the camera
The master of winkin' a smile and leaving her shadow
behind

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And I lived on DiMaggio time

Well, farewell you old tinsel city
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