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Nanci Griffith "Not My Way Home"

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On Grafton Street at Christmas time

The elbows push you 'round

This is not my place of memories

I'm a stranger in this town

The faces seem familiar

And I know those songs they're playin'

But I close my eyes and find myself

Five thousand miles away

(chorus)

It's funny how my world goes round without you

You're the one thing I never thought

I could live without

I just found this smile to think about you

You're a Saturday night

Far from the madding crowd

The buskers sing by candle light

In front of Bewleys Store

And a young nun offers me a chair

At a table by the door

And I feel compelled to tell her

Of the sisters that we knew

How when they lit their candles

I'd say a prayer for you

(repeat chorus)

The church bells ring for holy hour

I'm back out in the rain

It's been twenty years or more

Since I last said your name

I hear you live near Dallas now

In a house out on the plains

Why Grafton Street brought you to mind

I really can't explain

(repeat chorus)

On Grafton Street at Christmas time

The elbows push you 'round

All I carry now are memories

I'm a stranger to this town

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