Nanci Griffith "Three Flights Up"

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We returned to that five room flat Now it was empty and this the last time There were blinking pictures Of how we'd sit and chat Some of them are scattered Others shattered in my mind

It was always three flights up Cathedral bells kept time

In the winter, a chatterin' cold
While the building shook like ragweed in the wind
Stories from the heat pipes
We were told
Now they only leave me
With a half enchanted grin

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