

## Lemonade Mouth

### "I Wasn't Surprised"

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When our towns were in flame and yet we got the  
blame  
I wasn't surprised  
When police stormed the streets and no one came to  
our needs  
I wasn't surprised  
Well it wasn't our last and it wasn't our first  
My people are killed even right in our church  
And maybe I'm wise from too many cries  
But I wasn't surprised.  
When they shot Fred and Mark as they slept in the dark,  
I wasn't surprised  
When the commission contends it was in "self  
defense"  
I wasn't surprised  
Well it wasn't our last and it wasn't our first  
My people are killed in their sleep, in the church  
And maybe I'm wise from hearing his cries,  
But I wasn't surprised.  
In a Southern jail cell, a guard gave a girl hell, and  
I wasn't surprised  
She fought back and defied, became an outlaw  
statewide  
And I wasn't surprised  
And I wasn't surprised  
Well it wasn't our last and it wasn't our first  
My people are killed in the prisons and church  
And maybe I'm wise from too many cries  
But I wasn't surprised.  
Well right down the block, a young boy picked a lock  
And I wasn't surprised  
The police shot him dead, he was hungry, how he bled!  
I wasn't surprised  
It wasn't our last and it wasn't our first  
My people are killed down the block, in the church  
And maybe I'm wise from hearing his cries  
But I wasn't surprised.  
When they shot down my son, nothing wrong had he  
done  
I wasn't surprised  
He was walking to class 'cross the Jackson State grass

And I wasn't surprised  
Well it wasn't our first and it wasn't our last  
My family is killed even crossing the grass  
And maybe I'm wise from hearing his cries  
But I wasn't surprised.  
I've seen your children fall and I grieve for you all,  
But I wasn't surprised  
I have known all along that they're mean and they're  
strong  
So don't be surprised  
Well it wasn't your last, it was only your first  
The day will come round that they'll kill you in church  
And maybe I'm wise from too many lies  
But I wasn't surprised.  
Well I'm bitter as hell, but one thing I'll tell you  
You might be surprised  
If we stand side by side to stop this genocide  
They will be surprised  
For as long as we're silent, as long as we're still  
They'll gun us and shun us, you know that they will  
So raise your voices high in one unified cry  
And we'll see who's surprised!  
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Chorus:

Oh Mama, it's hurtin even worse  
Love is such a blessing and love is such a curse  
Startin is so easy, partin is a pain  
Always gettin this heart involved will drive me insane  
Oh Mama, I never seem to learn  
You told me more than once how much a soul can burn  
But standin by the fire's heat felt so good  
I burned myself just like you knew I would

Chorus

When the end comes, you know it hurts so bad  
But I try to keep in mind the beauty that I had  
Mama, I inherited this heart from you  
And now that I've got it, tell me what to do

Chorus

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