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Airborne Toxic Event, The "Graveyard Near the House"

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The other day, when we were walking by the graveyard near the house,

you asked me if you thought we would ever die And if life and love both fade so predictably, we've made ourselves a kind of predictable life.

And so I pictured us like corpses, lying side by side in pieces,

in some dark and lonely blood under a bow
We looked so silly there, all decomposed, half turned to dust.

in tattered clothes, but we probably look just as silly now.

Bye bye bye, bye bye to all this dogged innocence I cant pretend that I can tell you what is going to happen next, or how to be
But you have no idea about me, do you?

And it left me to wonder if people will ever know each other

by just stumbling around like strangers in the dark 'Cause sometimes you seem so strange to me, I must seem strange to you.

We're like two actors playing our parts.

Did you memorize your lines?

'Cause I did. Here's the part where I get so mad,

I tell you I cant forget the past

You get so quiet now, and you seem, somehow,

like a lost and lonely child

And you just hope that the moment wont last.

Bye bye bye, bye bye all the dogged innocence I cant pretend that I can tell you what is going to happen next,

or how to be

But you have no idea about me. You have no idea about me, do you?

So there's always a way around

There's something tying our feet to the ground A moment passed, we hate how it sounds.

And it seems a little less profound Like we're all going the same way down Yeah we're all going the same way down I'm just trying to write it all down.

'Cause I write songs, and you write letters
We are tied like two, in tethers
And we talk and read, and laugh and sleep, at night in bed, together
And you wake in tears sometimes,
I can see the thoughts flash across your eyes
They say "Darling, will you be kind?
Will you be a good man, and stay behind if I get old?"

And then the letters all pass through my head, with the words that I was told
About the fading flesh of life and love, the failures of the bold
I can list each crippling fear like I'm reading from a will.

And I'll defy everyone and love you still
I will carry you with me up every hill
If you die before I die, I'll carve your name out of the
sky
I'll fall asleep with your memory and dream of where
you lie.

It maybe better to move on, and to let life just carry on And I may be wrong.

But still, I'll try.

'Cause it's better to love whether you win or lose or die Yeah, It's better to love whether you win or lose or die It's better to love, and I will love you 'til I die.

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