

## **Robert Earl Keen**

### **"For Love"**

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Strapped my guns and courage on; set my cattle free  
Rolled a smoke and I made a vow no more to be reviled  
Combed her hair and laid her out; pretty as you please  
Watched the fire light up the night; cryin' like a child

Saw a man in San Antone shoot down a dancing queen  
And asked him on his hangin' day "What was he  
thinkin' of?"  
He said "I never liked the way she treated me so mean  
In the end I tell you friend I did it all for love"

Stood out on the ragged edge and there I took the fall  
I did it all for love my friend, for love I did it all

Just this side of Devil's Dream, above the sulphur mine  
I found the man who robbed me of the girl I loved and  
lost  
I asked him before he died "What made him cross the  
line?"  
He asked me "Did I mean the line I just stepped  
across?"

Stood out on the ragged edge and there I took the fall  
I did it all for love my friend, for love I did it all

I-I-I-I  
Wonder why-y

I've walked this earth these many years and left a trail  
of fire  
But once I was a gentle man every bit like you  
I watched the heavens open up, heard the angel choir  
Sing the holy song of God, 'To thine own self be true'

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