

Tom T. Hall

"Highways"

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Highways take me everywhere I want to go
With one exception standing
That road leads into the quiet places
In the shadows of your mind

The beaten path of common words
Can only lead us to misunderstanding
I believe that I can see the love for you
That is a greater kind

Highways take me over the mountains
Into the valleys and out through the plains
Wanting to be in your heart's understanding
I travel each highway in vain

Highways only take me into places
Where the average of the crowd goes
Where they affix the standard on the language
And emotions of the love

Highways never reach above the ground
And cannot know the things a cloud knows
In a million volumes they have never written
To express my love

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