

Tom T. Hall

"I'm Forty Now"

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There were barefoot dreams of catching outlaws
There were school dreams of catching footballs
There were young dreams of finding great romance
There were armies and I took the chance
There were avenues of glory and some deep despair
That put subtle shapes of silver in my hair

Well I'm forty now and I'm a man
But I can't resist the urge to put dreams in my plans
So many hopeless dreams and I broke some vows
Maybe life begins for me, I'm forty now

There were summer nights and there were good days
Life was water and I made waves
Oh I was crazy then so I made some breaks
Maybe God can look the other way
Either good outweighs the bad or we forget the bad
I'm thankful for a few friends that I've had

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But I can't resist the urge to put dreams in my plans
So many hopeless dreams and I broke some vows
Maybe life begins for me, I'm forty now
Well I'm forty now

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