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"Charlie & April"

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I used to shoot baskets with my twelve year old
neighbor, April, while we talked about boys

He wrote his number on my jeans
And now I sleep with them at night
No, you can't have too much denim
Can't ever hold your dreams too tight
I remember how I shivered
When he asked me for a pen
If he knew I'd never wash them
Would he ever ask again?

Charlie, I'm in love with you
Can't you love me too
I know life's too short and a day's too long
To keep from loving you

I hear my mother in the kitchen
She's singing "Love Me Like a Man"
But my father never listens
He's got a bottle in his hand
And as sure as it will empty
He'll be sure she's done him wrong
And then I'll wake up to the fighting
Before I wake up to the dawn

Charlie, I'm in love with you
Won't you love me too
I know life's too short and a day's too long
To keep from loving you

My mom says be careful
That boys will be...men
Tie your kerchief tighter
Or you will lose your head time and again

I'm--in--love
I know life's too short and a day's too long
To keep away from you

I can't wait till school tomorrow

We're cutting frogs up with a knife
But while the others are dissecting
I want to bring mine back to life
'Cause I know she wants to tell me
How she's been dead for far too long
And how the weight of untold secrets
Kept her heart from beating strong

Charlie, I'm in love with you
Don't you love me too
I know life's too short and a day's too long
To keep from loving you
I'm--in--love
I know life's too short and a day's too long
To keep from loving you

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