

Rock N Roll I Gave You All The Best Years Of My Life
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[Intro]

(Capo 1)

Strummed/Picked Slowly

C

[Verse 1]

C F G7
I can still remember when I brought my first guitar
C F G7
Remember just how good the feeling was put it proudly in my car
C A7 Dm
And my family listened fifty times to my two song repertoire
F G7 C
And I told my mom her only son was gonna be a star
F G
Brought all the Beatles records sounded just like Paul
C F G7
Brought all the old Chuck Berry s seventy eights and all
C A7 Dm
And I sat by my record player playing every note they played
F G7 C
And I watched them all on TV making every move they made

[Chorus]

C F
Rock and Roll I gave you all the best years of my life
G7 F C
All the dreamy sunny sundays all the moonlit summer nights
C F
I was so busy in the backroom writing love songs to you
G7 F C
While you were changing your direction and you never even knew
G7
That I was always just one step behind you

[Verse 2]

C F G7
66 seemed like the year I was really going somewhere
C F G7
We were living in San Francisco with flowers in our hair
C A7 Dm
Singing songs of kindness so the world would understand
F G7
That the guy s and me were something more than just another band

C F G
And then 69 in LA came around so soon
C F G
We were really making head way writing lots of tunes
C A7 Dm
And we must have played the wildest stuff we had ever played
F G7 C
And the crowds cried out for us well we thought we had it made

[Chorus 2]

C F
Rock and Roll I gave you all the best years of my life
G7 F C
All the crazy lazy young days all the magic moonlit nights
C F
I was so busy on the road singing love songs to you
G7 F C
While you were changing your direction and you never even knew
G7
That I was always just one step behind you

Do Do Do etc (C F G7 C x2)

[Verse 3]

C F G7
71 in Soho when I saw Suzanne
C F G7
I was trying to go it solo with someone else s band
C A7 Dm
And she came up to me later and took her by the hand
F G7
And I told her all my troubles and she seemed to understand
C F G
And she followed me through London through a hundred hotel rooms
C F G
Through a hundred record companies who didn t like my tunes
C A7 Dm
And she followed me when finally I sold my old guitar
F G7 C
And she tried to help me understand I d never be a star

[Chorus 3]

C F
Rock and Roll I gave you all the best years of my life
G7 F C
All the dreamy sunny sundays all the moonlit summer nights
C F
And though I never knew the magic of making it with you
G7 F C
I thank the lord for giving me the little bit I knew
G7 C
And I will always be one step behind you

C F
Rock and Roll I gave you all the best years of my life
G7 F C
Singing out my love songs on a bright lit magic night
C F
And though I never knew the magic of making it with you
G7 F C
I thank the lord for giving me the little bit I knew

C F
Rock and Roll I gave you all the best years of my life
G7 F C
All the dreamy sunny sundays all the moonlit summer nights
C F
I was so busy in the backroom writing love songs for you
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(repeat to fade)