Folk Song For Sara Simon Joyner

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He called his best friend long distance and told him the news

Of his girlfriend s attempted suicide by overdose

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He hadn t taken her to the emergency room but her roommates did

A E A

And her stomach was pumped bone dry through a tube

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It only cost her one thousand dollars in bills

D E

And an obligatory psychological review

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And she stopped crying in her sleep

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And she stopped walking in her sleep

A E A

And she stopped sleeping in her sleep too

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And she said I m gonna write your name on the walls

Α

I m gonna carve your name in the stalls

Е

I m gonna write your name on the walls

A

I m gonna carve your name in the stalls

A D A

Stay away from this man

Stay away from this man

A D E

Stay away from this man

He ll make you swallow aspirin

A D

So she fell in love with a loser who robbed used and bruised her And those were just the salad days

After that a habitual clean up with pesto-bismol and prozac

She even got a job as a washing machine

And he still calls his friend long distance

And speaks of his various girlfriends

But there s never really much different to tell

Eventually they stop crying in their sleep They stopped walking in her sleep And they stopped sleeping in her sleep as well

And they write his name on the walls
And they carve his name in the stalls
And they write his name on the walls
And they carve his name in the stalls
Stay away from this man
Stay away from this man
Stay away from this man

And then they pick him up in bars and in public parks
And then they pick him up in bars, in grocery stores and coffee shops
And then he tears through their legs to reach their heart
Through their legs to get their heart
Through their legs to steal their heart again
And it s a headache
And so they take
A little aspirin