

Martha

Tom Waits

[Intro]

C G7 C G7 Am G F F  
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[Verse 1]

C G7 C G7 Am G F F  
Operator, number please, it s been so many years  
C G7 C G7 Am G F F  
Will she remember my old voice while I fight the tears?  
C A7 Dm G7 C A7 Dm G7  
Hello, hello there, is this Martha? This is old Tom Frost  
C A7 Dm G7 Am G F F  
And I am calling long distance, don t worry about the cost  
C A7 Dm G7 C A7 Dm G7  
Cause it s been fourty years or more now, Martha, please recall  
C A7 Dm G7 Am G F F  
And meet me out for coffee where we ll talk about it all, and

[Chorus]

C C F F C C F  
Those were days of roses, of poetry and prose  
F Am Am F F Dm G C F  
And Martha, all I had was you, and all you had was me  
C C F F C C F  
There was no tomorrows, we packed away our sorrows  
F Am Am F G C F C  
And we saved them for a rainy day

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[Verse 2]

C G7 C G7 Am G F F  
And I feel so much older now, you re much older too  
C G7 C G7 Am G F F  
How s your husband, and how s your kids? You know that I got married too  
C A7 Dm G7 C A7 Dm G7  
Lucky that you found someone to make you feel secure  
C A7 Dm G7 Am G F F  
Cause we were all so young and foolish, now we are mature, and

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[Verse 3]

C G7 C G7 Am G F F

And I was always so impulsive, I guess that I still am

C G7 C G7 Am G F F

And all that really mattered then was that I-- was a man

C A7 Dm G7 C A7 Dm G7

I guess that our being together was never meant to be

C A7 Dm G7 Am G F F

Martha, Martha, I love you, can t you see? And

[Chorus]

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[Outro]

C G7 C G7 Am G F

And I remember quiet evenings, trembling close to you