We were together since we were five
She was so pretty
Emma was a star in everyone's eyes
And when she said she'd be a movie queen
Nobody laughed
Her face like an angel, she could be anything

Emmalene

Emma, Emmalene

I'm gonna write your name high on that silver screen Emmalene

Emma, Emmalene

I'm gonna make you the biggest star this world has ever seen

At seventeen we were wed

And worked day and night to earn our daily bread

And every day Emma would go out searching for that play

That never ever came her way

You know sometimes she'd come home so depressed I'd hear her crying in the back room feeling so distressed And I'd remember back when she was five To the words that used to make Emmalene come alive

It was Emmalene Emma, Emmalene

I'm gonna write your name high on that silver screen Emmalene

Emma, Emmalene

I'm gonna make you the biggest star this world has ever seen

It was cold and dark December night
When I opened the bedroom door
To find her lying still and cold up on the bed
A love letter lying on the bedroom floor

It read, "Darling, I love you.

But I just can't keep on living on dreams no more.

I tried so very hard not to leave you alone.

I just can't keep on tryin' no more."

Emmalene
Oh, Emmalene
Emmalene