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And now, the end is near; And so I face the final curtain. My friend, IŽll say it clear, IŽll state my case, of which IŽm certain.

Ižve lived a life thatžs full. Ižve traveled each and evžry highway; And more, much more than this, I did it my way.

Regrets, Ižve had a few;
But then again, too few to mention.
I did what I had to do
And saw it through without exemption.

I planned each charted course; Each careful step along the byway, But more, much more than this, I did it my way.

Yes, there were times,  $I\check{z}m$  sure you knew

When I bit off more than I could chew.
But through it all, when there was doubt,

I ate it up and spit it out.
I faced it all and I stood tall;
And did it my way.

Ižve loved, Ižve laughed and cried. Ižve had my fill; my share of losing. And now, as tears subside, I find it all so amusing.

To think I did all that; And may I say - not in a shy way, No, oh no not me, I did it my way.

For what is a man, what has he got?

If not himself, then he has naught. To say the things he truly feels; And not the words of one who kneels.

The record shows I took the blows -

And did it my way!