## As Long As You Are Near Me

**The Smithereens** 

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As long as you are near me, I will love you dearly I will speak sincerely, let me testify As long as you are near me I will have the strength to question why

You fly a little too high I wonder what happened to you You're like the 4th of July It's just not the same without you, you, you

I hide my feelings inside The words that I keep in my heart I pretend a little to lie You stop me before I can start

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