

Skeleton Key

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Ugly, I'm so very ugly
I'm ugly, inside and out, there's no denyin'
Love me, why would you ever love me?
No one has ever loved me yet, pretty baby

Skeleton key, it won't open up
It won't open any lock I have on me
Rusted, bent and rusted
Your precious skeleton key

I spent my life, tryin' every way to die
Is it my fate to be the last one standin'?
Don't you know it's a crime? All the shadowy peaks I climb
And I have yet to ever be remanded
Yes, I have yet to ever be remanded

Holy, holy
All of your religions are a lie
Hold me, don't ya try to hold me
I clearly see my own way to the other side
Yes, I will make my own way to the other side

Cryin', quit your cryin'
Sun'll likely rise again tomorrow
As you follow it down, through the underground
I would hook a leash upon your collar

Nothin' good is sustained, I gladly accept the blame
But all my words won't add up to a dollar
Yes, my all words won't add up to a dollar

Love me, don't say that you love me
Nobody has ever loved me yet, pretty baby
Cryin', quit your cryin'
I have ten thousand tears that you can borrow

Come on, follow me down through the underground
And I will sing to you a song of sorrow
I will sing to you a sweet, straight song of sorrow
I will sing you all a sweet, straight song of sorrow
I will sing you all a sweet, straight song of sorrow
Skeleton key, where are ya? Hey-yeah

Skeleton key, bent and rusted
All of your dreams are locked away
The hands have stopped, on the timekeeper's clock
You have got to learn to breathe underwater
Yeah, you have got to breathe, breathe underwater

Skeleton key, bent and rusted
As broken as the heart the dirt has eaten
Love me, don't pretend to love me
I've lost enough to know when I am beaten
I've lost enough to know when I am beaten
I've lost enough to know when I've been beaten
Yes, I have lost enough to know when I've been beaten