

# That Summer

The Statler Brothers

It was the same summer I learned to play  
'It Had To Be You' on the piano  
The same summer we jumped the fence at the fair  
And you won in two throws the pink dog I tried all night to win

There's a storehouse of song titles  
I can recite from that summer  
I hear one every now and then  
It seems I'm always driving when I hear one

I turn the radio up and blank my mind  
And let it drift, it's a good thing  
I never hear more than one at a time  
Or I don't think I could see to drive

I see pictures taken that summer  
Every time I give my personal belongings  
Their annual cleaning out  
Remember the one that was taken  
In your back yard the evening of graduation?

You wrote on the back, you wrote  
Well you know what you wrote  
Or maybe you don't but I do

I still go to the same theater we went to that summer  
I always sit about tenth from the back on the right  
You always got a headache if we sat any closer  
And had to squint if we sat any farther back

You were a lot of trouble to me  
Of course I see the same people  
We saw that summer  
None of them ever mention you

I guess they don't know  
I still remember you like I do  
Or maybe they do know  
I still remember you like I do  
Maybe that's why they don't mention you

And the places, the places are still there  
Although most of them have changed  
That narrow bumpy dirt road up to the knoll  
Where we used to park has been paved  
And a new housing development has gone in

Houses, cars, and people have invaded our place  
Where your innocence became my guilt  
People live daily as if nothing has ever happened  
On that piece of ground

I've learned other songs on the piano  
The fair doesn't come anymore  
Until late September  
And those songs make me  
Sad now instead of happy

The pictures have gotten bent  
And corners broken off  
They've put on a new wide screen  
And swinging chairs in the theater

The people have grown older  
And the knoll is a pool of lights after dark  
But the summers are still hot and that's the  
'Bout the only thing that hasn't changed  
Except that I still love you