

The First and Last Time

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The very first time I fell in love
Was the first and last time for me
Air and the moon, and the stars up above
How could I be so naive?

Of all the hard lessons I've learned in my life
The one that stays closest to me
Is I was in love, but she didn't love me
I was too blind to see

She was a wonderful dancer
She glided in and out of my door
I was just one of her partners
The one who kept begging for more

Now love doesn't come with a handle you turn
Love can't be turned off and on
So you roll with the punches and laugh while it's sad
And cryin' until your bear wing is gone

The very first time she said goodbye
Was the last time she cared for me
She still comes around, to rattle my chains
To make sure that I'm never free

And she is still a wonderful dancer
Sometimes she glides through my door
I used to be one of her partners
The one who's still begin' for more

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