## The Singer In A Band

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Once I was the singer in a band
Circa 1997
Attitude like 311
Liftin' our middle fingers to the man
I don't recall if we were any good
I'm guessin' probably not
But we smoked a lot of pot
So in our heads we were destined for Hollywood

Makin' a great loud boom
In the great, big, empty room

Oh, and I'd strain my voice
Tryin' to reach too high
'Cause the joyful noise
That I heard inside
Was always just a little out of range
Out of my range

And once I was the singer in a band
An acoustic power trio
Not aimin' for the radio
Keepin' it real and focused on the fans
Never the best lookin' bunch around
But we were doin' somethin' right
Sellin' out most every night
Like the Beatles of the southern underground

We partied like rockstars Flyin' under the radar

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I think I was born to be the singer in a band Playin' sure gets lonely I can work a room with just a guitar in my hand But there's somethin' 'bout a band Only the singer understands

Once I was the singer in a band
Sleepin' in a motor coach
Travelin' from show to show
Livin' the words of "On The Road Again"
A guitar, bass, a drummer, and some keys
Over a decade goin' strong
The sound was all our own
Like the highway playin' in the major key

Oh, how I miss those guys
The way a bird misses the skies

I'd strain my voice

Tryin' to reach too high
For the joyful noise
That I heard inside
Always just a little out of range
Out of my range
Now, it's out of my range
Out of my range

Yeah, I wish I were A-singin' with the band