## **Bear Witness**

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You can put them on the counter, there with all the other flowe rs And help me figure out how to turn off this TV I'm glad you made the visit, and if you think you have a minute You should sit and talk until it's time to leave Is my granddaughter Ruthie still working at the movies? Does she still let all her boyfriends in for free? Does she still stare out of the front door as she's serving peo ple popcorn And talk about how nice today was supposed to be? Oh, that's the love that I came to bear witness to Oh, and the love I'm taking with me when I go Did you notice walking over at the house down on the corner There's a dog behind a window that doesn't move I've seen him staring in the mornings, I've seen him staring in the evenings As if time stops until his master's in the room Oh, that's the love that I came to bear witness to Oh, and the love I'm taking with me when I go Some nights get worse than others, and I start thinking about y our mother And she's here with me as far as I can tell As if the world revealed its secret and it's asking me to keep it Like a kid that hears the ocean in a shell And that's the love that I came to bear witness to And the love I'm taking with me when I go Oh, that's the love that I came to bear witness to Oh, and the love I'm taking with me when I go