Local Memory

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The lights go out each evening at eleven
And up and down the block there's not a sound
I close my eyes and search for peaceful slumber
And just then the local memory comes around

Piles of blues against the door to make sure sleep will come no more

She's the hardest working memory in this town Turns out happiness again and lets loneliness back in And each night the local memory comes around

Each day I say tonight I may escape her
I pretend I'm happy and never even a frown
But at night I close my eyes and pray sleep finds me
But again the local memory comes around

Rids the house of all good news then sets out my crying shoes What a faithful memory never lets me down
We're both up till light of day, chasing happiness away
And each night the local memory comes around

Piles of blues against the door to make sure sleep will come no more

It's the hardest working memory in this town
Turns out happiness again and lets loneliness back in
And each night the local memory comes around
Yeah, each night the local memory comes around