

Self Portrait

Handguns

Ever since I was a kid
I knew that I was different
From the rest with shaking hands
And chemically unbalanced head
I scared the shit out of everyone
With everything I said
I always had the hardest time
Making new friends and
I still get those headaches
I did when I was young
I still forget to watch the words
That fall off my tongue

This is a soundtrack
To a movie
A motion picture
That will always move me
A painted portrait
Of candid moments
My heart's the canvas
And I'm the illustrator

A suburban family home
A bedroom of my own
A collection of cds
Stacked up next to
A blown out stereo
Were the only things
That keep me from
Feeling alone like I had
Someone to talk to
It's hard enough when
No one seems to get you

Most days I feel fine
And others I feel like
I'm dying on the inside
Forcing smiles on the outside
I'm an optimist and
A pessimist in one

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And if I were to suddenly die
I'd take a good look back
At my whole life
Be proud of the things
That I said and I did
I know I wasn't innocent
But I've always listened

To the pound of the kick
And the strum of the pick
Telling me that this is it

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I couldn't paint you
A better picture