

Memphis

Red Shahan

Runnin' down the hallway of an airport in L.A
Trying to keep the wind from another plane
He said he's leavin' this time for Memphis and he won't be comi
n' home
You, your sister, and your mom: you're on your own
And I thought why, why, why this time?
As the wind caught wings in the January sky

Got children of my own now and I raised 'em the best I could
To never leave behind the ones you love
When they ask about their granddad I don't lie to them one bit
Hell, that's the only thing I've ever learned from him

I said, "His bones are getting older and his eyes can barely se
e
The damages he's done to my family with me
He left the apple of his eye and to where, I don't know this
Trust me that we tried - we looked all over Memphis"

Got a phone call from my mom, "You better come quick to L.A
I'm standing next to your dad as he passes away"
With the family gathered around and tears in her eyes
Momma finally said what she deserved to say

She said "Your bones have done grown old and your eyes can fina
lly see
The damages you're done to my family with me
You let the apple of your eye and to where, I don't know this
Trust me that we tried - we looked all over Memphis"