Erase

They Might Be Giants

You and I will be together
When we shed our memory
I won't wear an orange sweater
When I get it off of me
When it's as it someday is
It always will have been the case
When your ever-searching finger
Finds the button marked erase

Finger find the button marked erase
Like a deep sea diver
Falling into a mermaid's embrace
Put one box on the sidewalk
Then you return with the next
And the first one's gone
Everyone gets on the bus out of town
And the lights start going out one by one

Button marked erase When darlings must be murdered When your heartbreak overwhelms your heart

Think of this as solving problems
That should never have occurred
Please don't call it strangulation,
That is such an ugly word

Press erase, ignore the shrill alarms
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When your heartbreak overrides the very
Thing you can not face
The skeletons that won't stay down
The mercy kill that can't be drowned

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