For Le Ann

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Mem'ries of you smile roll 'cross my mind Memories I thought I'd left behind And as I hear that big jet engine whine I close my eyes and make believe You're here with me And I can almost feel you here beside me Feel your gentle hands to guide me You make me feel like a man at all times

Now I know there were things I could have said
To make you feel secure but instead
I must admit I played my part so well
You could never tell that I needed you
And I wanted you
Now why can't we learn to talk to each other
And open ourselves to one another
Why must it be so lonely together

Lord a quarter of my life has come and passed And I'm beginning to know myself at last For being cool ain't worth the time I spend To show my friends that I'm cool And I'm no one's fool But don't you see that's not the real me If you leave it'll almost kill me And I'd be like a song without some soul

For how can you say you've really lived Unless one time in your life you give all of yourself And there's nothing in return? Lord, yeah yeah yeah