

HE WAS IN HEAVEN BEFORE HE DIED 6/8 TIME

[Intro]

G-6 G-6

[Verse 1]

G-3 C-3 D-3 G-6
There's a rainbow of babies Draped over the graveyard
C-3 G-3 G-3 D-6
Where all the dead sailors Wait for their brides
G-6 C-3 G-6
And the cold bitter snow Has strangled each grassblade
C-3 G-3 D-3 G-3
Where the salt from their tears Washed out with the tide

[Chorus]

C-3 D-3 D-3 G-3
And I smiled on the Wabash The last time I passed it
C-3 G-3 G-3 D-6
Yes I gave her a wink From the passenger side
G-6 C-3 G-3
And my foot fell asleep As I swallowed my candy
C-3 G-3 D-3 G-6 G-6
Knowing he was in heaven Before he died

[Verse 2]

G-3 C-3 D-3 G-6
Now the harbor's on fire With the dreams and desires
C-3 G-3 G-3 D-6
Of a thousand young poets Who failed 'cause they tried
G-6 C-3 G-6
For a rhyme without reason Floats down to the bottom
C-3 G-3 D-3 G-3
Where the scavengers eat 'em And wash in with the tide

[Chorus]

C-3 D-3 D-3 G-3
And I smiled on the Wabash The last time I passed it
C-3 G-3 G-3 D-6
Yes I gave her a wink From the passenger side
G-6 C-3 G-3
And my foot fell asleep As I swallowed my candy
C-3 G-3 D-3 G-6 G-6
Knowing he was in heaven Before he died

[Verse 3]

G-3 C-3 D-3 G-6
The sun can play tricks With your eyes on the highway
C-3 G-3 G-3 D-6
The moon can lay sideways Till the ocean stands still
G-6 C-3 G-6
But a person can't tell His best friend he loves him
C-3 G-3 D-3 G-3
Till time has stopped breathing You're alone on the hill

[Chorus]

C-3 D-3 D-3 G-3
And I smiled on the Wabash The last time I passed it
C-3 G-3 G-3 D-6
Yes I gave her a wink From the passenger side
G-6 C-3 G-3
And my foot fell asleep As I swallowed my candy
C-3 G-3 D-3 G-3 [G]
Knowing he was in heaven Before he died