

Gone for Good

The Future is Now

Danny:

This time it's finally over,
The world is finally mine.
This time I need not worry
About losing all my time.

Billy:

I'll go out into the city,
I'll show the world just who I am.
And to all who say that I can't,
Well I'll show them I can!

Becky:

I'll take all of my knowledge
Out into the nation.
I'll serve all the people,
And teach a new generation!

All:

I may know why,
But I don't know how.
All I know is
The future is now.

Danny:

The world won't know what hit it,

Billy:

But we'll know what we hit.

Becky:

The future is ours to claim

All:

But who knows what we'll get!

Danny:

It's time for me to grow up,
It's time to be a man.
It's time for me to show them all
Exactly who I am.

Becky:

And though I may be gone,
I'll always be around.
I'll never let the outside world
Ever bring me down.

Billy:

I'll be the one to change
The things not good for me.
I'll be the one to tell the truth
And set the people free.

All:

We'll take the bitter past
And sweep it under plow.
The present doesn't mean too much
Because the future is now!

Danny:

For one more week I'm stuck here,
Just one more week to be,
Held captive in this world I know
And then I can be free!

Danny:

Remember me when I'm gone,

Billy:

I'm always there for you.

Becky:

I'm always there to help,

All:

And always get you through.

All:

Tell me what I need to know
And give me this one vow:
Forget the past and live with me
Because the future is now!

Becky:

It's gonna be now!

Billy:

It's gotta be now!

Danny:

God, I hope it is now!

End Song

Becky:

Just one week to graduation.
I'm brimming with anticipation!
Such a big event for us who know not of the world.

Danny:

I can't wait till it's all over.

Billy:

I'm with you on this one.

Danny:

I can't wait until school's finally done.

Professor:

Now young students think a moment,
What you want to do.
Think about the future
And what suits you,
And make sure that you make sure.

Becky:

I think I might be a teacher,
And help the little children grow.
What better way to spend a life
Then helping those you don't know?

Professor:

Now remember children
Make your choices.
Think about the job you pick.
Listen to your voices
And choose what suits you best.

Billy:

Danny my friend
What do you say?
Do you have any idea
How you'll spend all your days?

Danny:

Well Billy you might say:

Army Man

Danny:

Remember when as children
We played the game of war?
The adrenaline got pumping
And I always wanted more.

So I think I'll join the army.
I'll be the one,
And grab a gun,
And defend us from the foe.
Wherever you might need me I will go.

I think I'll be a soldier.
I'll be a man,
Do what I can,
To save you from despair.
I'll be the one who always will be there.

So look at me,
Mr. Army Man.
I'll try to be
The perfect man.
I'll do what I can
To set the people free.

I'll be the man,
Mr. Army Man.
I'll be the one to set the people free.

I might be a commander.
I'll win the fight,
Defend our rights,
Make sure we can be free.
I'll do everything you ever asked of me.

I'll be the man,
Mr. Army Man.
I'll be the one to set the people free.

End Song

Becky:

You've put a lot of thought in your decision,
Chosen quite a fitting job.
It's quite a dangerous occupation,
One I wouldn't be willing to take.

Professor:

Now remember class
This is over soon.
You'll go out into the world
Under the moon,
And let yourselves be heard.

Billy:

And Becky do you approve?
Do you feel he's made a rightful choice?
Danny, you're my greatest friend,
But I've got to show my voice.

Revolution

Billy:

Are you honestly okay with this whole setup?
Do you really feel okay with how it's run?
I can't take it anymore!
They don't know what is in store!
A brand new order has to be begun!

Do you feel as if the government is useful?
Do you feel as if you ever will be free?
I think it's all a lie,
So now I'll try
To create a state of perfect anarchy.

I'm feeling like revolution!
I'm ready to take a stand.
Create a new nation,
Through our innovation,
And make this our own people's land.

Do you really wanna join the people's army?
Do you really wanna be part of the man?
I won't be a hypocrite,
I won't accept any of it!
I'll never be a part of their damn plan!

Cause I'm feeling like revolution!
I'm ready to show 'em I can.
We'll make a new city
And everyone will see
What happens when they just don't give a damn!

Revolution's gotta come soon.
Revolution's gotta come now!
We need a real solution,
And I'm feeling like revolution!

End Song

Professor:

You young men in the back,
Have you something to say?

Becky:

No professor they don't,
They're just anxious today.

Danny:

I can fight my own battles,

Billy:

I don't need your protection.

Becky:

But I'm always glad to give it all to you.

Instruction

Becky:

My study's almost over,
Then I can change the world.
I'll take a world bronzed over,
And make a world of gold.

I could be a teacher,
I could be the one.
And I'll be standing right here
When a brand new day's begun.

Just look at me,
I never thought I'd be
As free as I feel now.
Forget the past,
It will be gone at last
For the future is now.

The dawn is fin'ly breaking,
The sun is shining through.
And even though you're in the dark
I'll still remember you.

A weight has just been lifted
From off my shoulder blades.
For I know I'll still be living
When the daylight starts to fade.

And now I see
It was always me
To be the one to change our fate.
But in the end,
I will still be your friend,
And we'll make the future great.

I will be you guidance,
To save you from the night.
When you feel the darkness,
I will fill your soul with light.

I can be the strong one,
When you are feeling weak.
I'll carry you to safety,
Be the comfort that you seek.

And in the air,
I am always there
To be aware of what pains you.
And you will find,
You shall not fall behind,
For I will get you through.

End Song

Professor:

Class dismissed for today,
But be ready for the graduation.
Be ready to get up and leave,
On graduation day.

Danny:

Billy where is Torie?
I haven't seen her round.

Billy:

She thinks that I left her,
She thinks I've moved on.
She's distraught without me,
Without me she's not free.

Becky:

How do you feel about it?
Do you really wanna be with her?

Billy:

Yes I do, I truly love her,
And I think we'll be together.
Forever...

This Feeling

Torie:

Oh, Billy
Do you love me?
Cause I got a felling that you don't.

Would you even care
If I'm not there?
Cause soon there's a good chance I won't.

You could be my husband,
I could be your wife.
But now that future's over,
I can't be in your life.

Please see
The real me,
I cannot live without you.

You were the one,
But now I'm done.
There's nothing more to do.

We could live together,
We could be alive.
But now that you have left me,
There's no way to survive.

Would you even care
If I'm not there?
Cause soon I won't...

Billy:

We could have lived forever,
But now it's all a lie.
You could have been my future,
But then you had to die.

You might have been my lover,
You might have been my friend.
But now that life is over,
I'm on my own until the end.

My future's gotta come soon.
My future's gotta be now!
I need a real solution...

End Song

Becky:

Billy what is wrong in here,
I heard a manic scream.
Oh Torie, whatsoever happened?
I never got to say goodbye...

Billy:

And what do you know of her life?
What do you know of her strife?
You think you know her,
But you never did.
You never will...

Danny:

What is going on?

Becky:

Go after him, he needs someone beside him,
To talk to and to guide him.

Danny:

I'll return in a moment,
Once I track him down.
Tell someone of Torie,
Spread the word around.

Confrontation

Danny:

She might've been your future,
But you must let her go.
You have to let her leave you,
There's nothing more to know.

Billy:

You don't know
What it's like to be me,
You have always been free.
I have nowhere to go.

You can't tell,
The pain that I feel,
This world is too real.
I'm living in Hell.

Danny:

You have to leave your demons,
Forget the things you should.
You have to understand that
She is gone for good.

Billy:

In my life,
I have been all alone,
Forever on my own,
She cut me with a knife.

Now she's dead,
And I have no more light,
A world with endless night.
My heart is filled with lead.

Danny:

I don't know what you're feeling,
But I can help you through.
We'll take your path of darkness,
And make it look brand new.

Billy:

Damn you!
What do you know of suffering?
Damn you!
What makes you think you know me!

I can't take the sadness,
This world is not for me.
My life of endless darkness
Will never set me free.

I've got to be leaving,
I should be moving on.
This will be our goodbye,
From now on I'll be gone.

Danny:

I'll tell Becky goodbye,
She will be missing you.
I'll help her understand it,
I'll help to get her through.

End Song

Danny:

Goodbye my friend,
Remember me all through your days.
Look for me in the end,
I'll never lead you astray.

Becky:

Danny I have waited far too long
There's something that you need to know.
I know that times have been tragic,
This is important though.

Heart of Mine

Becky:

For years now I've been
Hiding my intentions.
Why can't you see?

If only you'd tell me,
If only you'd mention,
That you truly love me.

I've been here beside you,
For day after day.
I have always been true.

I will never leave you,
I'll never go away.
I have always loved you.

Now this heart of mine is aching,
When I see you it is breaking.
I don't know how to keep living
When I cannot keep from giving
Me away.
This heart of mine is aching still today.

Danny:

I think I'll be your lover,
I'll be a man,
Do what I can,
To always get you through.
I'll be the one who always will love you.

Becky:

Swear that you won't leave me this time.
Don't leave with this heart of mine.

I may know why,
But I don't know how.
All I know is
That I love you now.

Danny:

I've been here beside you,
How did I not know
That you really loved me?

I have always loved you,
I thought you might not know.
Now we can be free.

Now this heart of mine is making,
Me so happy that I'm taking
This one chance.
This heart of mine is making me okay.

Becky:

Now we can be together,
Now the world can see.
We must let the world know,
We must tell Billy.

End Song

Professor:

So you really want to leave?
Where will you go?
What do you know
Of the outside world?

How will you live
There's no one to give
You a second glance.
You have no chance.

Billy:

Yes I know sir but I care not.
I've got to show the world what I've got.
It's time for me to be the man,
Cause I'm feeling like revolution!

Professor:

I will let you go forth
Into the world outside,
With no one beside
You to help.

Here are your papers
There is the door.
Leave us now
And return no more.

Becky:

Danny, let us find him.
He will be so happy for us.
Danny where did you last see him?
Danny, where is he?

Gone

Danny:

I don't know what to tell you
But Billy isn't here.
When his girlfriend died he left us
And he'll never come back here.

We won't see him again in this life
That we now live.
And no matter how we feel
It's not our choice it's his.

Becky:

How could you let him go?
He was your best friend.
Now we won't see him again
We've lost him in the end.

Danny:

Yes, he's gone, he's gone,
And he won't return.
Now he's gone, all gone
And now it's our turn.
We must keep on living
Without him at our side.
We must keep on giving
Of ourselves to those beside.

Becky:

I'm feeling like breaking down,
He's out there all alone.
At least he can now be
Totally free,
And he'll live his life alone.

Now he's gone, he's gone,
And he won't be back.
He is gone, he's gone,
A friend that we know lack.
We must keep on going
Together, not with him.
And we must begin knowing
There's a light out through the dim.

Danny:

And though he isn't with us,
He's always in our hearts.

Becky:

He got what he always wanted:
A brand new life to start.

Danny:

He will live forever
In our hearts, our soul, our minds.
We'll go on together,
Leave his broken past behind.

End Song

Becky:

Danny, how I love you.
But I can't believe he's gone.
You must find him...

Danny:

I know my love,
But he's gone away.
I'll try my best.

Professor:

He left me no direction
As to his location.

Danny:

He must have said something.

Professor:

He told me no address
At which to find him.

Danny:

That is no help to me.

Professor:

He only told me one thing:
He will never return,
He will never be back.

Danny:

That's all he said?

Professor:

He said he's gone for good.

Gone for Good.

Billy:

It's my time,
My time to shine,
My time to be a new man.

It's all mine,
It's gonna be fine,
I'm gonna do all that I can.

I'm never gonna be a failure like before,
I'll take what I can and then I'll take some more.
And then I'll be the one to come and change the world!

So say goodbye to my life,
You won't see it again!
I'm letting go of my past,
My soul once stained by sin.

I'm walking out the front door,
I'm going where I should,
I'm blazing my own trail,
And I'll be gone for good.

Forget me,
I am free,
I feel sorry for you.

For you see,
I can be,
As happy as them too!

I'm always gonna stand up to the world,
I'm not gonna be someone who's bought and sold.
I'll be the one who leads the people to the end.

I bid farewell to sadness,
I don't need it around,
I'm looking to the sunlight,
To see what I have found.

I'm leaving this old city,
You'd too if you could.
I'll miss you though I'm happy,
That I'll be gone for good.

Danny:

Must you really leave us?
Must you not return?
There's so much we can tell you,
There's much you've yet to yearn.

Billy:

I'll make myself a hero,
I'll make myself a god.
I'll be the one they look to,
And I'll be gone for good.

I'm feeling like revolution,
I'm feeling like revolution,
I may not know just how,
But the future's coming now!

End Song

Professor:

I congratulate you students on the lessons you have learned.
You are ready to go out into the world.
Now I present you with the approval of the state.

Becky:

Can you believe it's finally here?
I've been waiting all my life.
Now we can be here together,
And this school will be behind.

Danny:

We'll go out and change the world,
Together it will be great.
Now it's time to be acknowledged,
I love you.

Professor:

Daniel it is your turn,
Bring yourself to me.

Your papers are in order,
You are ready for a job.
Remember all the lessons you have learned
And don't go out there on your own.

Danny:

It's my time.

Professor:

Rebecca stand here with me,
I have something for you.

I present you your diploma,
You now can teach the weak.
You've finally finished schooling,
Find the knowledge that you seek.

Becky:

This world is mine.

Professor:

Go forth and make your lifetime,
Become a legend now.
Forget the past, it's gone at last,
For the future is now.

Becky:

I know you must go,
But I'll miss you.
I will be right here for you.
You are my present and future.
I love you.

Danny:

The things I would give to stay here,
Are priceless and often lost.
I wish that I could be with you,
But I cannot pay the cost.

I'm off to join the army,
Off to go fight for our freedom.
Remember me if I do not return,
I love you.

Gone (Reprise)

Becky:

Now he's gone, he's gone,
And he might be forever.
He is gone, he's gone,
And we can't be together.
I must go without him,
Into the world outside.
I must live without him,
Forever at my side.

I don't know where he's going,
But I will be right here.
And it's not for my own future,
But for his life I fear.

I think I'll be your anchor,
I'll hold you fast,
Our love will last
And I will get you through,
I'll be the one who always will love you.

But he's gone, so gone,
And I can't believe it's true.
He is gone, all gone,
And I don't know what to do.
I will wait forever,
Under the setting sun.
I'll be always watching
When a brand new day's begun.

End Song

Danny:

It's quite surreal to be here,
I've dreamt of this day all my life.
The army has always been,
Calling me,
And now it is again.

Officer:

What an entertaining story son I'm very glad to hear it
But I need to know more.
What about this army is so appealing
To you?
What makes you think you can do it?
Get through it?

Danny:

I just know sir.

Officer:

What makes you think that?

Danny:

I just know sir.

Officer:

I need an answer.

Army Man (Reprise)

Danny:

I think I have the courage,
To be a man
Follow the plan,
And take orders like a pro,
Wherever you might need me I will go.

Officer:

I'm gonna need a lot more then 'think'.

Danny:

I might have the charisma
To win the fight,
Do what is right,
To make all the people free.
I'll show them how successful I can be.

Officer:

'Might'?

Danny:

I know I have the honor,
To take a stand,
Defend our land,
From the evil enemy.
That man you need is there inside of me.

Officer:

That's more like it.

So look at me,
Mr. Army Man.
You'll have to be
The perfect man.
You must fight
To gain your right
To set the people free.

Danny:

I'll be a man,
Mr. Army Man,
I'll be the one, they'll all want to be me!

End Song

Officer:

Well then I think we have a place for you
In this company of ours.
We'll put you in the infantry,
You'll lead the battle charge.

The danger will be great
But you will be a hero man.

Danny:

Don't tell me I can't do it cause I can.

Officer:

Your training will begin at dawn.
I'll see you there,

Danny:

I will be there.

Officer:

Now move along.

War Games

Officer:

Now listen here my comrades,
I've a lesson here to tell.
As it once was said by Sherman,
It's a fact that war is Hell.

If you hope to long survive
You must listen here to me.
I'll teach you all the basics
To set your minds all free.

The war game is basic,
The war game is long.
The war game's unforgiving
If you ever get it wrong.
It's quite a game we play
'Gainst the people that we fight.
The game starts in the morning,
And we play it til the night.

Remember in the field lads,
Stand tall and face the fire.
You'll always make it through
In situations dire.

Danny:

Sir I need to know this,
What are we fighting for?
To live or die for something
That I didn't have before.

Officer:

The reasons become clearer
With every victory.
I will tell you this though,
Don't ever question me.

Cadet 1:

How's the food?

Officer:

It's alright.

Cadet 2:

And the sleep?

Officer:

All through the night!

Cadet 3:

And the army?

Officer:

Quite a sight.

Danny:

I think I'll be a soldier,
I'll learn to fight,
Under the light,
And be right before the fire.
To see my love is my only desire.

Officer:

The war game is brutal,
The war game is sad.
The war game penalizes
All who play it bad.

War games are what you have to play,
If you want to stay alive 'til the next day.

End Song

Courier:

Please sir,
Officer,
I've an urgent message,

Officer:

Spit it out,
Tell me now.

Courier:

War has been declared on the city closest to us,
The government is calling us all there.

Officer:

You heard him men,
On your feet.
Time to be the soldiers you all signed up to be.
But know this:
War is a theater you never want to see.

Battle Hymn

Soldiers:

Fight,
Fight,
Show yourself,
Shoot your gun and duck back down.

Fight,
Fight,
Be a man,
Charge ahead and take the land.

Fight,
Fight,
Kill the foe,
Forget the world you used to know.

Danny:

I could be a hero,
I could save the day.
I could be remembered,
They'd carry me away.

Soldiers:

Shoot,
Shoot,
In the hole,
'til the last bell fin'ly tolls.

Shoot,
Shoot,
Stand your ground.
Shoot your gun and duck back down.

Shoot,
Shoot,
Face the fire,
Even in the times most dire.

Danny:

My life is now in danger,
I might surely die.
I must see my love once more,
Before I say goodbye.

Soldiers:

Charge,
Charge,
Go ahead,
Only leave behind the dead.

Charge,
Charge,
Storm the hill,
Take no prisoners just kill.

Charge,
Charge,
Stay with me,
Don't run away you won't be free.

Danny:

I must leave this Hellhole,
I must run away.
Goodbye my good soldiers,
Good luck to you today.

End Song

Officer:

And where do you think you're going?
The battle is not through.
Desertion's bad for morale,
But I see that's what you're trying to do.

Danny:

No sir, I was resupplying,
I never meant to leave the line.
I'll do what you ask of me.

Officer:

Too bad, you are now mine.

Calm After the Storm

Court Marital:

Court is now in session.
Your charge is desertion.
What have you to say?

Danny:

I have nothing to say.

Becky:

There is a calm after the storm.
There is a cold after the warm.
The worst is never over
It just waits to come again.
But you know the storm is over
When the calm starts to set in.

Court Martial:

The punishment for desertion is death.
If guilty you will soon breathe your last breath.
Have you no defense?

Danny:

I have no defense.

Becky:

There is a fight after the game.
There is a night after the day.
Just when you've faced the dark
It will come around once more.
But you know the storm is over
When the calm starts to set in.

Court Martial:

Of the crime I find you guilty.
You will not be free.
Any final words?

Danny:

My death is drawing nearer,
It hangs from high above,
My one regret is never
Being with my love.

Condemn me to your prison,
Lock me in your cell.
Just know that if you kill me,
Then you will live in Hell.

Becky:

There is a wave after the quake,
There is a lull after the ache.
When you thought the pain was through
It will come right back to you.
But you know the storm is over
When the calm starts to set in.

Court Martial:

Lock him up!

End Song

Prisoner 1:

Welcome to our prison,
It's really not so bad.

Prisoner 2:

Don't think that it's so wrong,
You won't be here for long.

Prisoner 3:

Just sit back and enjoy it
While you can.

Calm After the Storm (Reprise)

Danny:

There is a calm after the storm,
There is a cold after the warm.
The worst is never over
It just waits to come again.
But you know the storm is over
When the calm starts to set in.

Billy:

Kill the sergeant,
Kill them all.
Make them topple,
Make them fall!

Danny:

There is a fight after the game.
There is a night after the day.
Just when you've faced the dark
It will come around once more.
But you know the storm is over
When the calm starts to set in.

Billy:

To the prison,
Get the men!

Danny:

But you know the storm is over
When the calm starts to set in.

Billy:

What a sight to see,
You're coming with me!