

Last Kiss - Pearl Jam (4/4)

Chorus

G Em
Oh where oh where can my baby be
C D
The lord took her away from me
G Em
She's gone to heaven so I've got to be good
C D G
So I can see my baby when I leave this world.

G Em
We were out on a date in my daddy's car,
C D
We hadn't driven very far.
G Em
There in the road straight ahead,
C D
A car was stalled, the engine was dead.
G Em
I couldn't stop, so I swerved to the right,
C D
I'll never forget the sound that night.
G Em
The screaming tires, the busting glass,
C D G
The painful scream that I heard last.

Chorus

When I woke up, the rain was falling down,
There were people standing all around.
Something warm flowing through my eyes,
But somehow I found my baby that night.
I lifted her head, she looked at me and said;
"Hold me darling just a little while."
I held her close I kissed her - our last kiss,
I found the love that I knew I had missed.
Well now she's gone even though I hold her tight,
I lost my love, my life that night.

Chorus

G, Em, C, D. (Ohhh, Uhhh, Ohhh, etc.)
G, Em, C, D. (Whoa, Whoa, Whoa, etc.)

"Last Kiss" is a song released by Wayne Cochran in 1961 on the Gala label. It failed to do well on the charts. Cochran subsequently re-recorded his song for the King label in 1963. It was later revived by J. Frank Wilson and the Cavaliers, Pearl Jam and several international artists, including the Canadian group Wednesday, with varying degrees of success. The song was one of several teen tragedy songs from that period. The song's opening lyrics mirror the opening lyrics of Septimus Winner's "Der Deitcher's Dog".

The song's story

The singer borrows his father's car to take his beloved sweetheart out on a romantic date (on a rainy night). Coming across a stalled car in the road, the singer swerves to the right to avoid it, losing control and crashing violently in the process. The crash renders both the singer and his girlfriend unconscious. The singer later regains consciousness and finds several people at the scene of the accident, but was able to find his girlfriend, still lying unconscious. When the singer cradles his girlfriend lovingly in his arms, she regains partial consciousness, smiling and asking the singer to "hold me, darling, just a little while." The singer then gives his sweetheart what would be their "last romantic kiss" as she fades into death and enters the afterlife.

In the song's chorus, the singer vows to be a good boy so that he may reunite with his dear sweetheart when his time comes, believing she has made it into Heaven.

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