My Friends Are Getting Married

My friends are getting married

And I'm not saying I'm jealous I'm just confused

I don't get it

I got a pregnant ex in Colorado who got married after a couple months with her guy

It took her a year to decide her major

So how did she just make up her mind?

If she asks, I'll still go

Please don't even bother with a plus one

I'll make friends & make a toast

Let me play some songs on the piano,

I wrote a lot about ghosts

I drove to Boston with the first girl I ever had a crush on

She's been with her boyfriend for five years

She said she'd probably marry him

I couldn't even question it

There was so much stability in the way that she said it

Fleetwood mac blasting out the back two speakers because the rest of the stereo was busted

"He just knows when he needs to fix things" she said

And I'm sitting there drenched in Rumors that tore down everything I thought I built to last

My folks split, I tell everyone

They met on the corner of 34th & 5th

I was born because they bumped into each other on the street

My best friend said he'd leave his girl if he ever left Philly, but I don't think he'll ever leave

My father said he needed love like he needed to air breathe

Noah says things happen when you go outside

But things also happen when you swipe right & decide to hide behind a desperate "hi"

Abby said we teach each other how to hurt each other & she's probably right

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And I still don't know why

My friends are getting famous

I'm not saying I'm jealous

It's just complicated

Because I know that getting there won't fix everything for me but right now it feels like it can

I did the math:

Half a million means I don't ever gotta say goodbye to my friends again

Move my grandmother's piano to a penthouse apartment

Fly out my brother & get drunk with him

I did the math:

If I make it every shitty thing about me is justified

They'll say

He's a honest toxic, tortured nice guy

He's genius everybody's gotta play ball with because he cared so much about the game that he never considered whether he should even be playing before going all in

I was scared of Spiderman as a kid

I was scared of transformation

Now I'd do anything to be anyone else, to be loved for the things that I did to myself

I forgot about that until a few days ago & the irony made me laugh

My friends are getting famous

And I did the math

My friends are losing their parents

And I'm not ready yet

And i know nobody's ever ready yet but i'm really nowhere close to being ready yet

I've still got things to figure out with my dad

Gotta really tell him why I got so mad

When he turned himself into a self help book after a couple dozen seminars & scams

He used to be my friend

Every friday, we would jam

From All Along the Watchtower & Nowhere man

One night I couldn't sleep & he cut out snowflakes with me until 2am

You know, I really thought he was there in the tent when I told him about being alone

I spent 21 days in Canada missing something more than home

I think my father makes me nostalgic

And that gets harder the farther I go

But I believe one day we'll be alright

Like

when we were coming down the mountain,

sliding on the ice,

save for the fall that got infected,

he caught me every time

I got so much I gotta apologize to mom for

She washed my mouth out with soap when I was a kid so 16 years later I stopped talking to her

She taught me that my mouth could make chaos & my best weapon were my words

I learned this by hurting her

I trained by tearing her down

Her martyrdom made me mean and I know I can't take back everything I said now

But her mom died young

And I'm hoping whatever cancer killed grandma stays the fuck away from my mom

Cause I got twenty years of words I gotta undo but I moved 3,000 miles away so I'm revising with my thumbs

My friends are losing their parents

And I think I'm way too young

My friends are getting older

And I think I am too

I did my taxes, did my laundry, went to school

And sure I dropped out to start a band but that's something too

Luc's got a job now but still gets drunk on the weekends

David wrote a letter I barely recognized

Little Ray Ray, Ray the K, my bald baby brother who I thought would always hate me

Grew up and moved away

He texts me now, every day

Funny how life is short enough to hurt forever, but long enough to be ok

To address the broken mess that makes chest feel like a cage

We all have some growing to do

I should probably clean my room

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Lost/Ocean

I'd love her like I'd love the ocean
Knowing full well I won't ever fully understand her
But I want to know what I can
I want to know the dark corners, dangerous and buried in shadows
I want to tread in the bright rays that break the surface
How each particle of water shimmers and reacts to sunlight
Some days I just wanna dive in
Take a deep breath & start swimming
But it does me no good to die unnoticed
Diving and dying like my life could mean something
The ocean doesn't need another body
She doesn't need me floating around
Lost

My Best Friend's Girlfriend Just Moved In

My best friend's girlfriend just moved in And honestly it's kinda tight We all stay up some nights Drinking cocktails and keeping up with the Kardashians

With that said, I haven't been too nice to them It's like I'm passive aggressively eating popcorn on the corner Waiting for a crash While my friend is at the wheel

See, I'm stressed,

And she smokes cigarettes down to the butt While I'm burned out

It's not her fault

But it feels good sometimes to say it is My best friend's girlfriend just moved in And I'm just learning what a scapegoat is