The Locket

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Back in '41, you met a brown-eyed boy
Who called you pretty
He'd walk every day, couple miles out of his way
To hold your hand and keep you company
Your mama said, don't call it love at 14
But sittin' on that front porch swingHe gave you his picture in a locket
That you wore around your neck

Left it right beside your heart

So you would not forget

The way it felt when he held your hand And you swore that you would never take it off

And the butterflies you felt said it all

You were falling for the boy inside your locket

Back in '43, the brown-eyed boy went overseas

And had to leave town for a little while

He swore he'd marry you

As soon as the war was through

You would be his wife

Standing in the pouring rain

You cried as you watched him ride away

But everydayYou had his picture in a locket

That you wore around your neck

Left it right beside your heart so you would not forget

The way his kiss tasted on your lips

And everyday felt like a lifetime with him gone

And you prayed that God would bring him safely home

'Cause you made a promise

To the boy inside your locket

Oh, 60 years you two had together

But he's been gone for a couple now

And it breaks my heart to see you struggle to remember

But I've been writing all your memories down

And I stopped by today

To read a couple pages

Grandma, you sure look pretty

And you smiled that smile

The one I haven't seen in quite a while

And you said to me, I want you to keepHis picture in a locket that I wore around my neck

The one I left beside my heart so I would not forget

The greatest love and the greatest man

I've ever known

But it's gettin' time for me to head on home

She said, that brown-eyed boy is waiting
And I don't want to keep him long
Heaven is calling
And she said, my heart is longing
For the boy inside your locket

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