Lucy Kaplansky, For Once In Your Life

Remember when they took him in the middle of the night And nobody told you where he'd gone Death in with morning light and touched your father's hand In a hospital uptown, where your mother sat alone

For two weeks no one told you, as if it never happened You held the hope that he was still alive The funeral was over, no way to say goodbuy You've never had a chance to show the tears you hold inside

Chorus:

I want to make it up to you somehow Maybe there's something I have I could give you now There's so many things you never had Maybe it doesn't have to hurt so bad For once in your life

There's so much that I wanted that you could never give I just never got that I was stronger than you It wasn't a fair fight, you bleeding on the ground And me standing over you waiting for another round

I would tell you that I'm sorry, but I know what you would say 'Cause I think that you forgave me long ago I really don't know why, I don't think I deserve it Maybe a person forgives so they don't have to be alone

Chorus

In our home movie I remember we're sitting in the sun I'm crying, you're smiling at this girl of your own And you're posing me for the camera and everyone around And I can feel that smile now

Chorus