Tom T. Hall, I'm Forty Now

There were barefoot dreams of catching outlaws There were school dreams of catching footballs There were young dreams of finding great romance There were armies and I took the chance There were avenues of glory and some deep despair That put subtle shapes of silver in my hair Well I'm forty now and I'm a man but I can't resist the urge to put dreams in my plans So many hopeless dreams and I broke some vows Maybe life begins for me I'm forty now

There were summer nights and there were good days life was water and I made waves Oh I was crazy then so I made some breaks maybe God can look the other way Either good outweighs the bad or we forget the bad I'm thankful for a few friends that I've had Cause I'm forty now and I'm a man... Well I'm forty now