

# Maire Brennan, Don't Give Up

In this proud land we grew up strong  
we were wanted all along  
I was taught to fight, taught to win  
I never thought I could fail  
no fight left or so it seems  
I am someone whose dreams have all deserted  
I've changed my face, I've changed my name  
but no one wants you when you lose

don't give up  
'cause you have me  
don't give up  
you're not beaten yet  
don't give up  
I know you can make it

though I saw it all around  
never thought that I could be affected  
thought that we'd be the last to go  
it is so strange the way things turn

drove the night toward my home  
the place that I was born, on the lakeside  
as daylight broke, I saw the earth  
the trees had burned down to the ground

don't give up  
you still have me  
don't give up  
you won't need much of anything  
don't give up  
'cause I know there's a place  
where you belong

Rest your head  
You worry too much  
It's going to be alright  
When times get rough  
You can fall back on me  
Don't give up  
Please don't give up

Got to walk out of here  
I can't take any more  
Going to stand on that bridge  
Keep my eyes down below  
Whatever may come  
And whatever may go  
That river's flowing  
That river's flowing

Moved on to another town  
Tried hard to settle down  
For every job, so many men  
So many men no one needs

don't give up  
'cause you have me  
don't give up  
you're not the only one  
don't give up  
no reason to be ashamed  
don't give up  
you still have me

don't give up

I'm proud of who you are  
don't give up  
you know it's never been easy  
don't give up  
'cause I know there's a place  
a place where you belong

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