

# Michael Franti & Spearhead, Caught Without An U

Memories come down and me once again  
caught without an umbrella  
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Well it was not -that he was particularly  
suicidal he just didn't care wether he lived or died though  
it was just a matter of time  
you got yours and I got mine  
when he turned sixteen  
they said he could drive  
when he turned eighteen they said he could die  
when he turned twenty one he could buy rum  
but no one ever taught him  
how things were done  
then an angel appeared inside his head  
she said boy do you think  
you're realy better off dead  
he don't know he just shook his heed

(chorus)

'Cause he thought the day that he died  
would be a normal day for the people on the other side  
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But time was a matter of velocity  
in this age of information and technology  
he would cry in the shower  
put his face in a towel hot from the dryer  
then he sat down and wrote a note to his mom  
when all is said and done  
can I still be your son  
because manhood is so elusive  
and respect is so exclusive  
and I got a daddy to prove it  
I think I'll never get to shake it and move  
then he tied a rope around his neck  
looked in the mirror and said what the heck  
I'm gonna bring the whole roof down with me  
and then he jumped

(chorus)

&amp;quot;Come in Vernon'

But halt way down  
he heard what the angel said  
and he realized -he really didn't want to be dead  
he landed with a thump- his head was reeling  
layin in a lump- looked up at the ceiling  
and saw that the rope... had broke  
well he failed at the only thing  
that he thought he couldn't fail at  
that was takin' his own life  
and he said&amp;quot; I kinda like livin'  
he could feel his heart makin a boom  
sounded like music in the next room  
music in the next room  
he said &amp;quot;it's time for a celebration&amp;quot;  
felt his hands looked at his face  
lifted the rope off his throat, &amp;quot;I ain't such a disgrace.&amp;quot;

he said manhood is so elusive and respect is so exclusive  
and I gotta daddy to prove, that some people never get to  
shake it and move.

(chorus)

And He knew that the day that he tried  
was not a normal day for the people

And memories come down and me once again  
am caught without an umbrella