

# Robert Earl Keen, Blow You Away

You take off from work a bit early  
The boss doesn't care if you stay  
The guard with the key has to check your ID  
But he'd just as soon blow you away

The cops have stopped ten miles of traffic  
They're sorry for all the delay  
No need for alarm as they're waving their arms  
But they'd just as soon blow you away

Two pretty blondes in a Porsche  
Their bumper says "We Love LA"  
They look pretty fair, but they're crazy out there,  
And they'd just as soon blow you away

You got in some trouble in high school  
But you feel like a new man today  
You keep to yourself because anyone else  
Would just as soon blow you away

You're standin' in front of the teller  
She's countin' out all of your pay  
There's twenties and ones and there's guards with their guns  
And they'd just as soon blow you away

And one old ex con at the station  
Fixes flats in the back of the bay  
He winks and he jokes and he borrows a smoke  
But he'd just as soon blow you away

You like the new girl at the hotel  
She drops your room key in the tray  
No words will pass through the bullet proof glass  
'Cause she'd just as soon blow you away

You climb up the stairs every evening  
to your room right above the cafe  
There ain't much mystique, but you pay every week  
'Cause they'd just as soon blow you away

And You turn out the light that you read by  
You pray that you're one of the few  
When you're in with the lord there's just one reward  
And they'd just as soon make it come true

Your mattress is mildewed and lumpy  
But you fall fast asleep where you lay  
Under the lump there's a twenty gauge pump  
'Cause they'd just as soon blow you away