Woody Guthrie, Old Judge Thayer

This was never meant to be, All the signs were there to see, From the first moment that we met, I knew, This was never meant to be.

This was always doomed to fail, From the moment we set sail, All our instincts told us we were wrong, This was never meant to be.

But soon we were enraptured in love's dance, When the dance ended I found, I couldn't live without you. And now, all of my dreams are sad embers Here in the cold of December, And now you're in the arms of someone else, I always knew that...

This was always second best, Our love would fall at the first test, Common sense would tell us we were wrong, This was never meant to be.

This was never meant to last, We drank our cup of love to fast, From the first moment that we met, I knew, Now Miss, from our first kiss, I tell you this was never meant to be.