250,000 Miles

Patty Griffin

Oh where is my daughter that I carried Gone to where the desert meets the sea Far from where our family's bones are buried Where mother moon walks arm in arm with me A lady's maid for ladies who are waiting She paints the toes, prepares a stranger's tea What came before she must forget or bury Or carry deep inside her silently The red lipstick faces in the alleys Their echoes and their shadows wind and wind My daughter lives in still a deeper valley And I fear I am running out of time Oh where is my daughter that I carried Gone to where the fears of men obey While mother moon hangs silently but is waiting 250, 000 thousand miles away

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