

# CANDLE IN THE WIND

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Gently, reflectively

B A A/G# F#m7 E E<sup>SUS</sup> E B B<sup>7</sup>

*mf*

E A

Good-bye, Nor - ma Jean, \_\_\_\_\_ though I nev - er knew you \_\_\_\_\_ at all  
Lone - li - ness \_\_\_\_\_ was tough, \_\_\_\_\_ the tough - est role you ev - er played.

E/G#

you had the grace to hold your - self \_\_\_\_\_ while those a - round \_\_\_\_\_ you crawled..  
Hol - ly - wood cre - at - ed a su - per - star \_\_\_\_\_ and pain was the price you paid. \_\_\_\_\_

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A D/A A E

They crawled out of the wood-work  
E - ven when you died,

A

and they whis-pered in - to \_\_\_ your brain. \_ They set you \_ on the tread-  
oh, the press still \_ hound-ed you. All the pa - pers had \_

E/G# A D/A

- mill \_\_\_ and they made you change \_ your name. \_\_\_  
\_ to \_ say was that Mar - i - lyn was found in the nude.

A B B<sup>7</sup>

And it seems to me \_\_\_ you lived your life \_\_\_ like a

E A E

can - dle in \_\_\_ the wind, \_\_\_ nev - er know - ing who to cling \_

B B<sup>sus</sup> B

\_\_\_ to when the rain set in. \_\_\_ And I

A C<sup>#</sup>m

would have liked \_\_\_ to have known you, but I was just \_\_\_ a kid. Your

B B<sup>SUS</sup> B

can - dle burned \_ out long be - fore \_ your

A A/G# F#m<sup>7</sup> E

leg - end ev - er did.


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1. B B<sup>7</sup> 2. B B<sup>7</sup>/A E


Good-bye, Nor - ma Jean, \_

A




— though I nev - er knew you — at all, you had the grace to

E/G#




hold your - self — while those a - round\_ you crawled. —


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
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


E




Good-bye, Nor - ma Jean, from the young man in the

A



E/G#



twen - ty - sec - ond row — who sees you as some-thing more than sex - ual, — more than

just our Mar - i - lyn Mon - roe. And it

A

A<sup>sus</sup>

A

seems to me \_\_\_ you lived \_\_\_ your life \_\_\_ like a can - dle in \_\_\_ the wind, \_\_\_

B

B<sup>7</sup>

E

E<sup>7</sup>

\_\_\_ nev - er know - ing who to cling \_\_\_ to when the rain \_

A

E

\_\_\_ set in. \_\_\_ And I would have liked \_\_\_ to have known

B

B<sup>sus</sup>

B

A

**C#m**  
x 4fr

you, but I was just a kid. Your can - dle burned out

**B**  
x

**B<sup>sus</sup>**  
x o o

**B**  
x

**A**  
x o o

long be - fore your leg - end ev - er did.

**A/G#**  
x x x

**F#7**  
x x x x

**E**  
x x x

**E7/G#**  
x x o x

I

**A**  
x o o

**C#m**  
x 4fr

would have liked to have known you, whoa, but I was just a kid.

— Your can - dle burned \_ out long \_ be - fore \_

B

your leg-end ev - er did. —

B<sup>sus</sup> B A rit. A/G<sup>#</sup> F<sup>#</sup>m<sup>7</sup> E