

Ask Me Now (How I Wish)

Bass for Standard Key

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Thelonius Monk

Ballad [Carmen McRae 1990] ($\text{♩} = 58$)

A1 G_{MI}⁷ C⁷ G_{MI}⁷ B⁷ F_{MI}⁷ B_b⁷ E_{MI}⁷ A⁷

Once you said you loved me,

Placed no one a - bove me,

E_b_{MI}⁷ A_b⁷ B⁷ B_b⁷ E⁷ D⁷

Prayed for me to make that vow.

What dumb thing did I say

D_b_{MA}⁷ E⁷ E_b_{MI}⁷ A_b⁷ B⁷ B_b⁷ A⁷ A_b⁷

So bu-sy being bla-sé? How I wish you'd ask me now.

A2 G_{MI}⁷ C⁷ G_{MI}⁷ B⁷ F_{MI}⁷ B_b⁷ E_{MI}⁷ A⁷

I was vain and blind then,

Prone to be un-kind then,

E_b_{MI}⁷ A_b⁷ B⁷ B_b⁷ E⁷ D⁷

Wish they'd turn back time some - how.

Then I was au - da-cious,

D_b_{MA}⁷ E⁷ E_b_{MI}⁷ A_b⁷ D_b⁶

I ignored what was precious,

How I wish you'd ask me now.

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B

17 **E_bMI⁷** **A_b⁷** **D_bMA⁷** **E_bMI⁷** **D⁷** **D_bMA⁷**

I thought then I'd al - ways be All footloose and fan - cy free

21 **B_bMI⁷** **E_b⁷** **E_b⁷** **B_bMI⁷** **E_bMI⁷** **A_b⁷**

How could I have been so blind? What I once made light of

A3

24 **G_b⁷** **GMI⁷** **C⁷** **G_bMI⁷** **B⁷** **FMI⁷** **B_b⁷** **E_{MI}⁷** **A⁷**

turned out to be true love Once my e-go ruled me Flattered me and fooled me

27 **E_bMI⁷** **A_b⁷** **B⁷** **B_b⁷** **E_b⁷** **D⁷**

More times than the laws al - low You asked me could I care

To Coda Last Time \oplus

30 **D_bMA⁷** **E_b⁷** **E_bMI⁷** **A_b⁷** **D_b⁶**

My at - tention was elsewhere How I wish you'd ask me now.

\oplus **Coda**

33 **E_bMI⁷** **A_b⁷** **FMI⁷** **B_b⁷**

How I wish you'd ask me How I wish you'd ask me

35 **E_bMI⁷** **A_b⁷** **D_b⁶**

rit. How I wish you'd ask me now.