

Tombstone, Tombstone

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It's impatience that's holding back the
clocks

It's a life of dates and documents
The soul searchers wheel and deal
If you're looking for repentance
They'll hand you down a sentence

Far away in Pittsburg or Paris
Love's for sale and so reasonably priced
The answers are few and far between
It just bed sheets, my friend
They're blowin' in the wind

Chorus

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special place
The hard-earned wisdom of the night is
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And I can't tell a shooting star from a
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There's a pump organ that lives on air
I can hear it from the market place
Pallid mourners in the crowd
Some are withered but alive
Where a burnin' past can find

The parishioners pour into the square
Thinking there before his grace go I
By they are mum with deafened ears
The neediest of sinners
Will forget it before dinner

Chorus

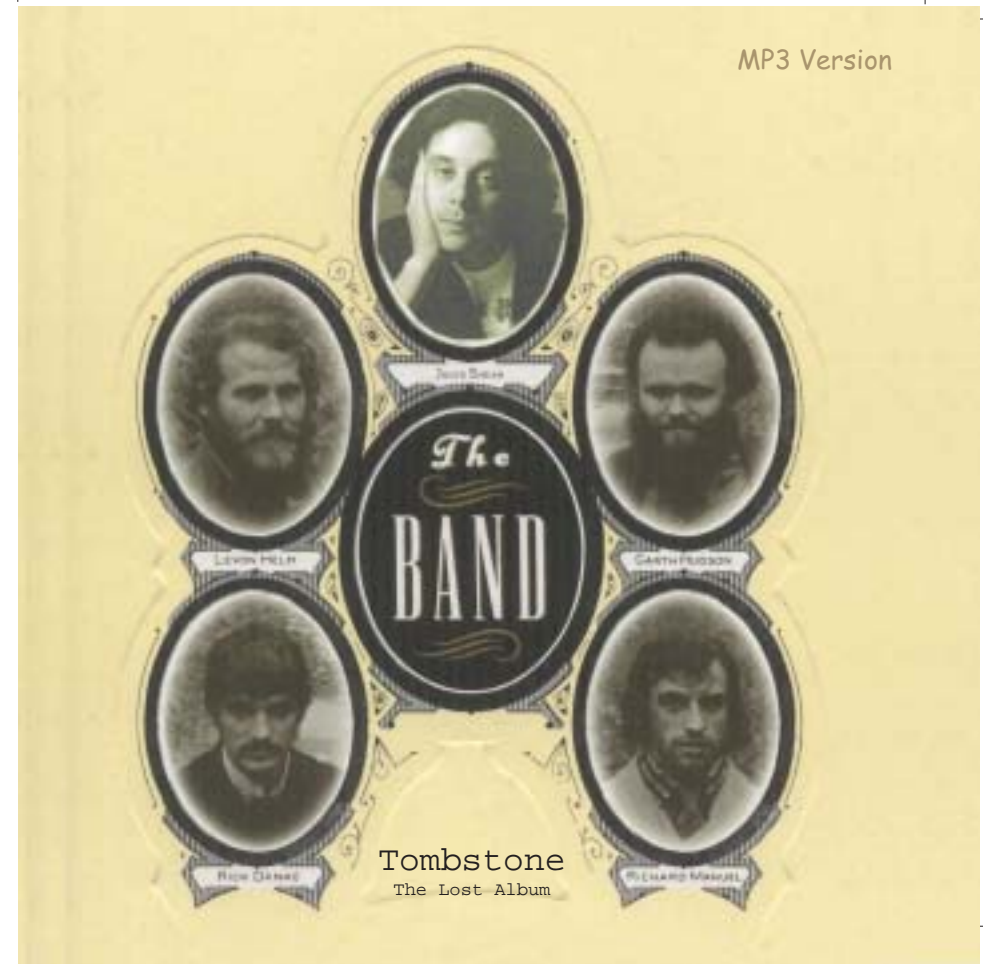
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Are you the jailer or will you set me free
How many misdemeanors can one felony
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MP3 Version



The Band Tombstone

- 1 Tombstone, Tombstone [Jules Shear]
- 2 River Of Honey
- 3 All Creation
- 4 Baby Don't You Cry No More
- 5 The High Price Of Love [This song later appeared on High On The Hog]
- 6 Long Ways To Tennessee
- 7 Too Soon Gone [This song later appeared on Jericho]
- 8 Money Whipped
- 9 Never Again Or Forever [Jules Shear]
- Bonus Track
- 10 You Don't Know Me - sung by the late Richard Manuel live in Tokyo, Sept 1, 1983 with The Band

Tks 1, 3, 7 are sung by Rick Danko.

Tks 5, 8 are sung by Levon Helm.

Tks 2, 4, 6, 9 sound like Jules Shear singing in front of The Band.

Album produced by Jules Shear in 1990 or 1991 but apparently rejected by Sony Music. At least 11 tracks are said to have circulated but two of them Battle Is Over and What Good Is Love? were from a Los Lobos session in 1990 or 1991 and had only two members of the Band playing. These tracks are left off on this CD. As far as we can tell the title song Tombstone and Never Again Or Forever were written by Jules Shear. The outtake "Tombstone" was originally recorded in 1991 by The Band as a demo with an amazing vocal from Rick Danko. It has been associated with the sessions for Jericho. The band finally released Jericho, in 1993 and the only song that survived these sessions was Rick Danko's Too Soon Gone, a sweet song for Richard Manuel. The version here is different. Excellent - SBD stereo with some hiss.

Do a search for Peter Viney on theband.hiof.no website or go here for more info:
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