

Intro]

(drums)

| **Am G** | **Dm Am** | **Am G** | **Dm Am** |

[Verse 1]

Am

G

Getting born in the state of Mississippi,

Dm

Am

Her Poppa was a copper and her Momma was a hippie

Am

G

In Alabama she would swing a hammer,

Dm

Am

Price you gotta pay when you break the panorama

Am

G

Dm

Am

She never knew that there was anything more than poor,

Am

G

Dm

Am

What in the world does your company take me for?

[Verse 2]

Am

G

Black bandana, sweet Louisiana,

Dm

Am

Robbin' on a bank in the state of Indiana,

Am

G

She's a runner, rebel and a stunner,

Dm

Am

On her merry way sayin', "baby whatcha gonna"

Am

G

Dm

Am

Lookin' down the barrel of a hot metal .45,

Am

G

Dm

Just another way to survive

[Chorus]

F

C

Dm

California, Rest In Peace,

G

F

C

Dm

Simultaneous release,

G F

C

Dm

California, show your teeth,

G F C Dm
She's my priestess, I'm your priest, yeah, yeah

[Instrumental]

| **Am G** | **Dm Am** | **Am G** | **Dm Am** |

[Verse 3]

Am G
She's a lover, baby and a fighter,
Dm Am
Shoulda seen it coming when it got a little brighter,
Am G
With a name like "Dani California",
Dm Am
Day was gonna come when I was gonna mourn ya,
Am G Dm Am
A little loaded, she was stealing another breath
Am G Dm
I love my baby to death

[Chorus]

F C Dm
California, Rest In Peace,
G F C Dm
Simultaneous release,
G F C Dm
California, show your teeth,
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She's my priestess, I'm your priest, yeah, yeah

[Bridge]

Bm G D F#
Who knew the other side of you?
Bm G D F#
Who knew what others died to prove?
Bm G D F#
Too true to say goodbye to you
Bm
Too true, too sad, sad, sad

[Verse 4]

Am **G**
Push the fader, gifted animator,
Dm **Am**
One for the now and eleven for the later,
Am **G**
Never made it up to Minnesota,
Dm **Am**
North Dakota man was a gunnin' for the quota
Am **G** **Dm** **Am**
Down in the Badlands she was saving the best for last,
Am **G** | **Dm** | **E7**
It only hurts when I laugh; gone too fast

[Chorus]

F **C** **Dm**
California, Rest In Peace,
G **F** **C** **Dm**
Simultaneous release,
G **F** **C** **Dm**
California, show your teeth,
G **F** **C** | **Dm** |
She's my priestess, I'm your priest, yeah, yeah

F **C** **Dm**
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[Outro Solo]

| **F** **C** | **Dm** **G** | **F** **C** | **Dm** **G** |
| **F** **C** | **Dm** **G** | **F** **C** | **Dm** **G** |
| **Dm** |

| **F** **C** | **Dm** **G** | **F** **C** | **Dm** **G** |
| **F** **C** | **Dm** **G** | | **F** **C** | **Dm**