

Déjà vu

Background: My sister's death in 1994 was tragic and shocking. The funeral was held on a day when it was pouring. We stood graveside in the rain, 100+ umbrellas pointing to the sky. 21 years later, her daughter joined her, incomprehensibly in the same manner. They are buried together. I stood there, with my own kids this time, and the feeling was surreal. Like déjà vu.

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Verse

I feel like I've been here before
That "House" looks familiar to me
I remember its wooden doors
And the smell of the cherry trees

All the people look the same
They're dressed in black again
I know I've seen them all before
I can't recall where or when

It feels like...

Chorus

Deja vu

We've seen this all before

Deja vu

A dream you can't quite recall

Deja vu

Faint echos off the walls

Every time I see you

It feels like déjà vu

Verse

It rained so hard that day

Umbrellas open to the air

Pouring into an open wound

Like the sky just didn't care

It's colder this time

Sullen grey winter skies

In the middle of March

On the eve of the Ides

Beware, it's...

Chorus

Deja vu

We've all been here before

Deja vu

A dream you can't quite recall

Deja vu

Ghosts haunt these empty halls

Every time I see you

It feels like déjà vu

Bridge

I wanna go back in time

I wanna change the past

I wanna change the future

Too many lives have passed

Verse

Now they sleep together

Forever side by side

I'd tell you I get comfort from that

But you'd know it would be a lie

Chorus

Deja vu

We've seen this all before

Deja vu

A dream you can't recall

Deja vu

Memories lost in a waterfall

Every time I see you

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