

Family Portrait (Miranda Called Today)

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If it don't appear to be my usual manner
If I don't appear to laugh my usual way
And if I don't appear to be my usual self it's not surprising
'Cause today is not just any usual day

In my pocket is a photo of my daughters
In the other is a picture of my son
In my billfold is a snapshot of me marrying their mother
And in my heart's a family portrait of us playing and having fun

(Bridge)

But Miranda called today to say she's leaving
Gonna pack up all her things and drive away
When I asked her why she began to cry, then she just hung up the phone
And I knew what she couldn't bring herself to say

If I wasn't so unwilling to give in from time to time
And if I didn't always cater to my pride
If I wouldn't keep insisting that she do life like I do
She wouldn't have to leave for me to see the pain she kept inside

Now in my pocket is a portrait of my daughters
In my wallet is a picture of my boy
On my desk there sits a photo of their mother at my side
And in my heart you'll find a hole where once my family was my joy

(Bridge)

'Cause Miranda called today to see she's leaving
Gonna pack up all the kids and move away
When I asked her why she began to cry, then she just hung up the phone
And I know what she couldn't bring herself to say

Now it's up to me to make it right
Gotta show her I can make it right
I'm gonna follow her and make it right today.