

IN MY LIFE

(J. Lennon-P. McCartney)

*There are places I'll remember, all my life
though some have changed.
Some forever, not for better, some have gone
and some remain
All these places had their moments
with lovers and friends I still can recall.
Some are dead and some are living,
In my life I've loved them all.*

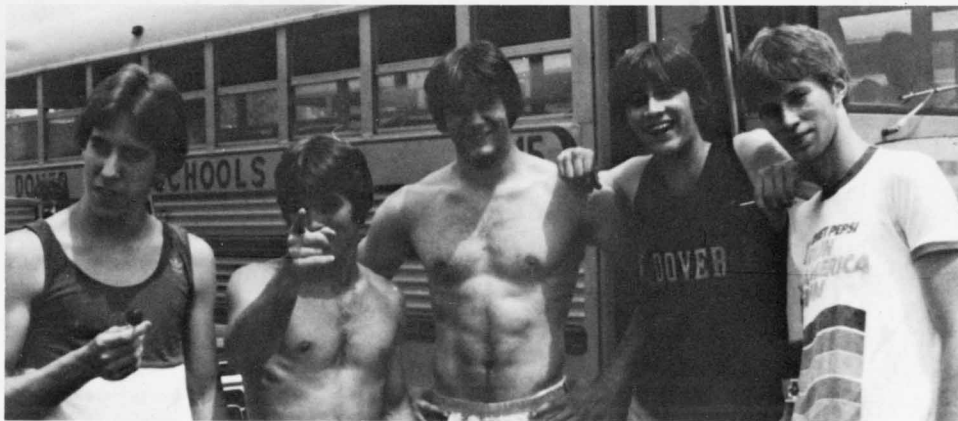
*But of all these friends and lovers
there is no one compares with you
And these memories lose their meaning
When I think of love as something new,
Though I know I'll never lose affection
for people and things that went before,
I know I'll often stop and think about them.
In my life I'll love you more.*

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Death means leaving behind the winter of doubt and stepping into the song . . . the color . . . the fragrance of eternity . . . never again to be tired or hurt or old!



In a race, everyone runs but only one person gets first prize. So run your race to win. To win the contest you must deny yourselves many things that would keep you from doing your best. An athlete goes to all this trouble just to win a blue ribbon or a silver cup, but we do it for a heavenly reward that never disappears. So I run straight to the goal with purpose in every step. I fight to win. I'm not just shadowboxing or playing around. Like an athlete I punish my body, treating it roughly, training it to do what it should, not what it wants to. Otherwise I fear that after enlisting

others for the race, I myself might be declared unfit.

As for me, the hour has come for me to be sacrificed; the time is here for me to leave this life. I have done my best in the race, I have run the full distance, I have kept the faith. And now the prize of victory is waiting for me, the crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous Judge will give me on that Day, and not only to me, but to all those who wait with love for him to appear.

from St. Paul

