

Long Black Veil

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Ten years ago on a cold dark night
Someone was killed 'neath the Town Hall light
The people who saw, they all agreed
That the slayer, who ran, looked a lot like me
The judge said, "Son, what is your alibi?
If you were somewhere else, then you won't have to die"
I spoke not a word, though it meant my life
For I'd been in the arms of my best friend's wife
She walks these hills in a long black veil
Visits my grave when the night winds wail
Nobody knows, nobody sees, nobody knows but me
The scaffold is high, eternity near
She stands in the crowd, she sheds not a tear
But sometimes at night, when the cold winds moan
In a long black veil, she cries o'er my bones

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