

# Goodnight Irene

[Ry Cooder](#)

(Huddie Ledbetter/John Lomax)

(E) - (E7) - (A) - (B7)(E) I asked your mother for (B7) you  
She told me that you was too (E) young  
I wish dear (E7) Lord never have (A) seen your face  
And I'm (B7) sorry that you ever been (E) born.(E) Irene good (B7) night, Irene good (E) night  
Goodnight I (E7) rene, good (A) night Irene  
I'll (B7) get you in my (E) dreams Sometimes I lives in the country  
Sometimes I lives in town  
Sometimes I have a great notion  
To jump into the river and drown I loves Irene, God knows I do  
Loves her till the sea runs dry  
If Irene turns her back on me  
I'm gonna take morphine and die Stop ramblin' and stop gamblin'  
Quit staying out late at night  
Come home into your wife and your family  
Sit down by the fireside bright Irene goodnight, Irene goodnight  
Goodnight Irene, goodnight Irene  
I'll get you in my dreams

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