

Long Black Veil

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Ten years ago on a cold dark night
Someone was killed 'neath the town hall light
There were few at the scene but they all agreed
That the slayer who ran looked a lot like me.

The judge he said, "Son what is your alibi?
If you were somewhere else then you won't have to die."
I spoke not a word although it meant my life
For I had been in the arms of my best friend's wife.

She walks these hills in a long black veil
She visits my grave when the night winds wail
Nobody knows, nobody sees, nobody knows but me

The scaffold was high and eternity was near
She stood in the crowd and shed not a tear
But sometimes at night when the cold wind moans
In the long black veil she cries o'er my bones.

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She visits my grave when the night winds wail
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