

Black Rose of Texas

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The pills you kept beside your bed
Were never enough to ease your mind
And the men who came then always left
Not all of them treated you real kind
You tried booze and God and cigarettes
But nothing could keep you from crying

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I hope you found some peace this time
In the honky tonks and punk rock bars
Sometimes it felt so good to be alive
Doing the two-step across the hardwood floor
While telling some wild boy white lies
But the music always had to stop
And you had to face the world on your own

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I hope you found your way home
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No one can say you didn't try
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I wish I could have said goodbye
On a train in Arizona
As the morning sun was burning in the east
A long distance phone call
Woke me up from my sleep
Then I watched the desert passing by
Replaying sweet and sad memories

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Hope this time time you're finally free
Black Rose of Texas
No one can say you didn't try
Black Rose of Texas
I wish I could have said goodbye
Black Rose of Texas
I hope you found some peace this time
Black Rose of Texas
I just wish I could have said goodbye