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Wilburn Brothers "Barbara Allen"

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In Scarlet Town where I was born there was a fair maid dwelling Her beauty shone just like the sun and her name was Barbara Allen All in the merry month of May when green buds they were swelling Sweet William on his death bed lay for the love of Barbara Allen He simply servant unto her to the pawn where she was dwelling Come to my Master quickly please if your name'd be Barbara Allen Then slowly slowly she got up and slowly she went to him And all she said when she got there young man I think you're dying He reached to kiss her pretty face as death was growing nigh him And with his eye no breath he said I love you Barbara Allen As she was walking back to town she heard the death bell feeling And every stroke did seem to say hard hearted Barbara Allen When he was dead and laid to rest her heart was struck with sorrow Oh mother mother make my bed for I shall die tomorrow They buried him in the old churchyard they buried her beside him And on his grave there grew a red rose on Barbara's grew a briar They grew to the top of the old church tower and they couldn't grow any higher And there they tied in a true love's knot the red rose around the briar

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