Cash Johnny "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 said son, what is your alibi
If you were somewhere else, then you won't have to die
I spoke not a word, thou it meant my life
For I'd been in the arms of my best friend's wife

Chorus

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

Oh, the scaffold is high and eternity's near She stood in the crowd and shed not a tear But late at night, when the north wind blows In a long black veil, she cries ov're my bones

Repeat Chorus

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