

Del Reeves

"Long Black Veil"

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Ten years ago on a cold dark night
There was someone 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 though 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 near
She stood in the crowd and she shed not one tear
But sometimes at night when the cold winds moan
In a long black veil she cries o'er my bones

She walks these hills
Nobody knows but me, nobody knows but me

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