

## **Ernest Tubb**

# **"Beyond The Last Mile"**

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I'm watching the clock tick the hours away  
They say that I will hang at the dawn of the day  
But why should I fear death when it's life anew  
For dying only takes me much closer to you  
You left me in anger and walk by the sea  
And when they found your body they blamed it on me  
But you know they were wrong dear so wait for awhile  
Soon we'll be together beyond the last mile  
Stars hide their face to make way for the sun  
Death it'll soon claim me and make us as one  
While others are walking the streets with a smile  
Then I will be walking beyond the last mile  
[ steel ]  
The jury agreed I have taken your life

The sentence that they gave me it cut like a knife  
But I'll face my Maker today with a smile  
I know that you'll be waiting beyond the last mile  
The chaplain is making his last plea to God  
Soon the numbered steps to the scaffold I'll trod  
My footsteps won't falter I'll walk with a smile  
I know that you'll be waiting beyond the last mile

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