

Gillian Welch

"It Happened Anyway"

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When Jamie died
And I didn't even understand
The eternity of my sadness
I wish I could have prevented it

When I rest in bed
Dream about how I could have
Lived and played with my brother
How I wish that I could have saved him

If wishing could bring him back
He'd be here with me today
But then I remember...
It happened anyway

When I look at pictures
And imagine what he would be like
Now a dozen years old
I wish could have saved him from agelessness

If crying could bring him back
He'd be here with me today
But then I remember...
It happened anyway

When I think of why and how
He was with us and left us
I wish I could have prevented it
And stopped his death, and saved him from
Never needing breath for birthday candles...
For Birthday candles

If wishing could bring him back
He'd be here with me today
But then I remember

When Jamie died I didn't understand
Oh, but then I remember
It happened anyway
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