

## **Irish Rovers**

### **"The Best Of Friends Must Part"**

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It's grand to see old friends again as we come  
rambling through  
and talk about the times we've had and raise a glass or  
two  
For when we are together off on memories we recall  
and long will I remember your kindness to us all

Farewell to you, I bid adieu, I can no longer stay  
For the night has gone and now's the hour to go our  
separate ways  
It's time to pass the parting glass and toast to company  
Good luck and joy be with you all, wherever you may be

Long have we been comrades and true friends since  
first we've met  
and never has an angry word passed between us yet.  
Many's the night we've laughed and sung until the  
break of day  
and fondly will I think on you when I am far away.

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It's sad I am for leaving but the best of friends must  
part  
I'm going to a foreign shore although it grieves my  
heart  
We'll put our trust in providence that soon we'll meet  
again  
I wish you health and happiness, good fortune, until  
then

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And when I'm on some foreign shore far across the sea  
I'll keep you close beside me, you'll be in my memory  
And when the stormy winds do blow and hard times win  
the day  
Our laughter and our friendship sure will clear the  
clouds away.

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