Marty Robbins "The Convict And The Rose"

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Within my prison cell so dreary Alone I sit with weary heart Thinkin' of my lonely darlin' From her forever, I must part

A rose she sent me as a token She sent it just to light'n my gloom To tell me that her heart was broken To cheer me before I meet my doom

She wrote I took it from the garden Where once we wandered side by side But now you hold no hope of pardon And I can never be your bride

The judge would not believe my story
The jury said I had to pay
But to the rose in all its glory
"Not guilty" is all that I can say

Goodbye, sweetheart, for in the morning I'll meet my Maker and repose
And when I die at daylight's dawnin'
Against my heart they'll find your rose

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