

## Van Morrison "Carrickfergus"

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I wished I had you in Carrickfergus  
Only for nights in Ballygrand  
I would swim over the deepest ocean  
The deepest ocean to be by your side

But the sea is wide and I can't swim over  
And neither have I wings to fly  
I wish I could find me a handy boatman  
To ferry me over to my love and die

My childhood days bring back sad reflections  
To happy times spend so long ago  
My boyhood friends and my own relations  
Have all passed on like the melting snow

But I'll spend my days in endless roving  
Soft is the grass and my bed is free  
Oh, to be home now in Carrickfergus  
On the long road down to the salty sea

And in Kilkenny it is reported  
On marble stone there as black as ink  
'With gold and silver I did support her  
But I'll sing no more now till I get a drink'

I'm drunk today and I'm rarely sober  
A handsome rover from town to town  
Oh, but I am sick now and my days are numbered  
?So come ye young men and lay me down"

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