

Rogers Sally "Lovely Agnes"

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LOVELY AGNES

(Sally Rogers c. 1980)

1. and Chorus:

Oh Agnes, won't you go with me? We'll be married in style

And we'll cross Lake Michigan, so blue and so wide,
We'll cross over Lake Michigan, 'til we come to the shore,

And our orchards will blossom for our babies as they're born.

2. Oh yes, love I will go with you, leave Wisconsin behind

Though my parents think little of my life on a farm,
For to leave the gay city life, and be buried on a farm,
But I'll watch the orchards bloom in spring,
Spend the winter's warm in your arms.

3. Three children she gave to him, Curtis, Addie and Dee

And their fourth child little Gussie came, ten years after these.

And she raised them with loving hand and with firmness of mind

And she raised them through troubled times, Agnes strong
willed and kind.

4. Now the years have gone and past, like the fruit on the trees,

And your children have children with babes on their knees

And they all join in the summertime, by the crystal lake shore,

To greet lovely Agnes, now 12 years and four-score.
written for Sally's grandmother Agnes' 92 b-day.

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