The People's Blues Of Richmond "Leaves Die"

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Oh, I wish I'd died that night out on Marshall Street When you dragged me face down By my barefeet All dead weight, bourbon, and morphine.

You left me lyin' by the stairs
With my lungs void of air
But I'm cursed to survive
Until next year, aw, next year when the leaves die,
So will I.

I wish I'd just been institutionalized I wish the police had torn me to pieces for my crimes And my wicked heart torn open wide

But there's no end in sight
Only more lonely nights
That I'm cursed to occupy
Until next year when the leaves die
So will I.

Oh just one more handful of your olive breast Just one more taste of your cigarette breath Just one more heartbreaking carress

Well it's too late for love I'm so fucked up So I'll keep on getting drunk and high Until next years, when the leaves die So will I.

I'm scattered like the trash in the valley I'm shattered like the glass in the alley Where the tattered rags tried to hold on me

I'll never love again
My soul is ruined
But I'm cursed to survive
Until next year, when the leaves die
So will I.

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