

## **Tom Waits**

### **"Lucinda"**

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Well they call me William the Pleaser  
I sold opium, fireworks and lead  
Now I'm telling my troubles to strangers  
When the shadows get long I be dead

Now her hair was as black as a bucket of tar  
Her skin as white as a cuttlefish bone  
I left Texas to follow Lucinda  
Now I'll never see heaven or home

I meet her when Charlotte slivers in moonlight  
A sly grin and a bow full of stars  
I got a kid who captures a firefly  
And leaves it over there to die at the shore

As I kick at the clowns at my hanging  
As I swing out all over the crowds  
I will search every face for Lucinda  
And she'll go off with me down the hill

I thought I'd broke loose of Lucinda  
Rain returned and so did the wind  
I cast this burden on the God's that's within me  
Now he'll miss (!?) the world and go free

The devil danced inside empty pockets  
But she didn't want money or pearls  
Boy that wasn't enough for Lucinda  
She wasn't that kind of girl

Now I've fallen from grace for Lucinda  
Who'd ever thought that Hell would be so cold?  
I did well for an old tin can sailor  
But she want it the bell in my soul

I spoken to God on the mountain  
And I've swam in the irish sea  
I've ate fire and drank from the Gange  
I've played bell for mercy for me

I thought I'd broke loose of Lucinda  
Rain returned and so did the wind

I was standing outside the white house  
And there I was afraid to go in

I heard someone pull the trigger  
Her breast heaved in the moonlight (??) again  
There was a smear of gold in the window  
And then I was the (???) of her sin

They call me William the Pleaser  
I sold opium, fireworks and lead  
Now I'm telling my troubles to strangers  
When the shadows get long I be dead

Now her hair was as black as a bucket of tar  
Her skin as white as a cuttlefish bone  
I left Texas to follow Lucinda  
I know I'll never see heaven or home  
No I'll never see heaven or home  
No I'll never never see heaven or home

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