

## **Townes Van Zandt**

### **"Waiting Around to Die"**

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Sometimes I don't know where this dirty road is takin'  
me

Sometimes I can't even see the reason why  
I guess I keep on gamblin', lots of booze and lots of  
ramblin'

Well, it's easier than just waitin' 'round to die

One time friends I had a ma, I even had a pa  
He beat her with a belt once 'cause she cried  
She told him to take care of me and headed down to  
Tennessee

It's easier than just waitin' 'round to die

I came of age and found a girl in a Tuscaloosa bar  
She cleaned me out and hit it on the sly  
I tried to kill the pain, I bought some wine and hopped a  
train

Seemed easier than just a-waitin' 'round to die

A friend said he knew where some easy money was  
We robbed a man and brother did we fly  
But the posse caught up with me and drug me back to  
Muskogee

It's two long years of waitin' 'round to die

Now I'm out of prison, I got me a friend at last  
He don't drink or steal or cheat or lie  
His name is codeine, he's the nicest thing I've seen  
Yeah, together we're gonna wait around and die  
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