

Cemetery Blues

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Folks, I know a gal named Cemetery Lize,
Down in Tennessee;
She has got a pair of mean old graveyard eyes,
Full of misery!
Every night and day,
You can hear her sing her blues away:
I'm going down to the cemetery,
'Cause the world is all wrong!
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'Cause the world is all wrong!
Down there with the spooks to hear 'em sing my sorrow song.
Got a date to see a ghost
By the name of Jones,
Got a date to see a ghost,
By the name of Jones,
Makes me feel happy to hear him rattle his bones!
He's one man
I always know just where to find!
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I always know just where to find!
When you want true lovin', go and get the cemetery kind!
He ain't no fine dresser,
He don't wear nothin' but a sack;
Yeah, he ain't no fine dresser,
He don't wear nothin' but a sack;
Everytime he kisses me, that funny feeling creeps up my back!