Lay Some Flowers On My Grave

Blind Willie McTell

You must lay some flowers on my grave You must lay some flowers on my grave My mother and father have gone Left me in this world alone You must lay some flowers on my grave

My father was a roll sport and a gambler too
And he loved makin' and just singin' the blues
I hope my heart will change
I don't want to die the same
You must lay some flowers on my grave

Put a wreath of flowers at my right side Then you'll know that McTell's satisfied Put a bouquet in my breast You know poor boy's gone to rest You must lay some flowers on my grave

Now when this old building is fallin' down Just lay me six feet in the cold, cold ground Wrap me up in the solid clay 'Cause I come here to die one day Hot mama, lay some flowers on my grave

What a moaning glory at my hidden feet
Then you'll know that McTell's gone to sleep
On my headboard write my name
I leave 'em many girl's heart in pain
Hot mama, lay some flowers on my grave

Don't snatch the pillow from under my head Don't grieve and worry after the days I'm dead When I bid you this last goodbye Don't none of you womens cry You just lay some flowers on my grave

Now when I'm gone, come no more
And [Incomprehensible]
When you hear that coughing sound
You'll know McTell is in the ground
Hot mama, lay some flowers on my grave

Now when the poor boy's dead and gone I'm left in this old world all alone When you hear that church bell toll You'll know McTell's dead and gone Hot mama, lay some flowers on my grave