Long Black Veil

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Ten years ago on a cool, dark night There was someone killed 'neath the town hall light There were few at the scene but they all did agree That the slayer who ran looked a lot like me

The judge said, "Son, what is your alibi? If you were somewhere else then you won't have to die" I spoke not a word although it meant my life For I had been in the arms of my best friend's wife

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The scaffold is high and eternity is neared She stood in the crowd and shed not a tear But sometimes at night when the cold wind moans In a long black veil she cries over my bones

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