In my hometown of Blackie Kentucky he came passin' through one dark bloomy day

And I considered myself as lucky when he told me he would take me away $\$

And though he was older it made me difference His promise of riches was all I could see At last I could leave the coal mines of Kentucky And know something better than sad poverty Blackie Kentucky you know that I miss you But there are lotta places in the world I'd like to see So I must take this chance to be something more than nothin' But I'll always hold you in my memory But I've never registed this sociable livin' The friends that he knows they're all strangers to me Thousands of miles from Blackie Kentucky In a mansion with a husband that never loved me He won't let my family and friends come to visit Because they are country and poor he's ashamed Oh but I'd give my luck Lord if I could just go see them All its chance about me is my name Blackie Kentucky oh Lord how I miss you If I could come back home I'd never leave you anymore I'd like to see my poor heart work in coal mine with daddy And mama and the kids and the friends I knew before My world is as black as the coal in Kentucky He won't let me leave him there's no way to win I'll take my whole life dear God please forgive me But I've got to get back home to Blackie once again I'd left him a note and in the morning he'll find it It's my last request and he care to refuse me I told him to bury me back in Blackie Kentucky Where my family and my friends can come in visit me Blackie Kentucky I'm comin' home to you But different from the way you remember me before So make a place and I lay me down to rest and I'll sleep in you r arms for evermore

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