

Blackie, Kentucky

Dolly Parton

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 registred 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
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