

Annabelle

Gillian Welch

Lease twenty acres and one Ginny mule
From the Alabama Trust
Half of the cotton, third of the corn
Get a handful of dust

We cannot have all things to please us
No matter how we try
'Til we've all gone to Jesus
We can only wonder why

I had a daughter called her Annabelle
She's the apple of my eye
Tried to give her something like I never had
Didn't want to ever hear her cry

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When I'm dead and buried, I'll take a hard life of tears
Everyday I've ever known
Anna's in the churchyard, she's got no life at all
She's only got these words on a stone

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