

You And Tennessee

Johnny Cash

Like a sweet rippling mountain stream
Goes the sound of the banjo on Cripple Creek
Never beginning never ending just rippling on and on
So does the land just ripple on and on

As a heart gets soft on a woman
So can the heart get soft on the land
And to fall in love with a woman
As well as the land is to surely be in love

I stayed away too long I know
And every day was slow to go
Every night I dreamed I was here
It's been a mighty lonely year

Every mile I needed you
I kinda hope that you needed me too
Everywhere I saw your face around
Every town I was in

This old familiar place welcomed me again
Back to where I belonged
To be back to you and Tennessee
Back to you and Tennessee

Beside the Cumberland River
Where the grass is soft and sweet
We ran across the fields of cedar
Hiding from the noisy streets

And when the leaves fell from the cold
The stars were silver the moon was gold
I said it's yours with love from me
I'm planting my roots in this ground

And when they look for me I'll be found
With something that is part of me
You and Tennessee
Back with you and Tennessee