

## Ruby's Arms

Patty Griffin

I will leave behind all of my clothes  
I wore when I was with you  
All I need's my railroad boots  
And my leather jacket  
As I say goodbye to Ruby's arms  
Although my heart is breaking  
I will steal away out through your blinds  
For soon you will be waking

The morning light has washed your face  
And everything is turning blue now  
Hold on to your pillow case  
There's nothing I can do now  
As I say goodbye to Ruby's arms  
You'll find another soldier  
And I swear to God by Christmas  
There'll be someone else to hold you

The only thing I'm taking is  
The scarf off of your clothesline  
I'll hurry past your chest of drawers  
And your broken wind chimes  
As I say goodbye I'll say goodbye  
Say goodbye to Ruby's arms

I'll feel my way down the darkened hall  
And out into the morning  
The hobos at the freight yards  
Have kept their fires burning  
Jesus Christ  
This goddamn rain  
Will someone put me on a train  
I'll never kiss your lips again  
Or break your heart  
As I say goodbye I'll say goodbye  
Say goodbye to Ruby's arms