When the rain came I thought you'd leave 'cause I knew how much you loved the sun But you chose to stay, stay and keep me warm through the darkest nights I've ever known If the mandolin wind couldn't change a thing then I know I love ya

Oh the snow fell without a break
Buffalo died in the frozen fields you know
Through the coldest winter in almost fourteen years
I couldn't believe you kept a smile
Now I can rest assured knowing that we've seen the worst
And I know I love ya

Oh I never was good with romantic words so the next few lines come really hard Don't have much but what I've got is yours except of course my steel guitar Ha, 'cause I know you don't play but I'll teach you one day because I love ya

I recall the night we knelt and prayed Noticing your face was thin and pale I found it hard to hide my tears I felt ashamed I felt I'd let you down No mandolin wind couldn't change a thing Couldn't change a thing no, no

The coldest winter in almost fourteen years could never, never change your mind

And I love ya Yes indeed and I love ya And I love ya Lordy I love ya