

# Christmas Eve Can Kill You

The Everly Brothers

The winter's flaking snow is brushin' through the  
pinewood trees  
I stuff my hands down deep inside my coat  
I think of years ago and half remembered Christmas  
trees  
And faces that still warm me with their glow  
The cold and empty evening hangs around me like a ghost  
I listen to my footsteps in the snow  
The sound of one man walking through the snow can break  
your heart  
And stopping doesn't help, so on I'll go  
And Christmas eve can kill you  
When you're trying to hitch a ride to anywhere

The icy air I'm breathin's all that keeps me on my feet  
I feel like I've been walking all my life  
A car goes runnin' by; the man don't even turn his head  
Guess he's busy bein' Santa Claus tonight

The saddest part of all is knowin' if I switched with  
him  
I'd leave him stumbling ragged by the road  
I'd ride that highway to arms of my sweet family  
And forget about the stranger in the cold  
And Christmas eve can kill you  
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And as I walk I'm singing to myself 'O Silent Night'  
Hopin' I can save those other souls  
Oh, God forgive the man that drives right by the other  
man  
Take pity on the stranger in the cold  
Cause Christmas eve can kill you  
When you're tryin' to hitch a ride to anywhere