

Heaven's Gate

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A man I met in my youth
Came to me in the light of truth
Beautiful dream that was
Till he died one rainy fall

There I was a child bride
Widowed at nineteen, defied
Never would I let him go
Go to the place that Heaven knows

On the evening of his death
My shoulders felt a brushing breath
Cold were his hands on my breast
The man that I loved and put to rest

He came to me and held me close
We danced till dawn in the early snow
There I felt him cry and cry
I'll never leave, leave your side

Oh, the madness
This town thinks I'm mad
Sixty years, has it been a dream?
This man I'm haunted by, I see

I'm eighty years and on my bed
Awaiting death, that final breath
He sits by and looks to me
Soon you will come and be with me

Now, I feel all warm inside
As I leave this mortal body behind
Seems it is eternal's way
We're waltzing into Heaven's gate