

Banks of the Ohio
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Intro: **G**

G **D**
I asked my love, to take a walk.

G
Take a walk a little way.

C
And as we walked, and as we talked.

G D G
Of when would be our wedding day.

G D
And only say, that you ll be mine.

G
In no other s arms entwine.

C
Down beside, where the waters flow.

G D G
Down by the banks of the Ohio.

I asked her if, she d marry me.
And my bride forever be.
She only turned, her head away.
And had no other words to say.

Chorus

I plunged a knife, into her breast.
And told her she was going to rest.
She cried oh Willie, don t murder me.
I m not perpared for eternity.

I took her by, her golden curls.
And took her down to the riverside.
There I pushed, her in to drown.
And watched her as she floated down.

Chorus

I started home, between twelve and one.
And cried oh Lord what have I done.
I ve killed the only, girl I love.
Because she would not marry me.

Chorus