

Banks of the Ohio

Traditional

C G7 G7 C
I asked my love to take a walk, to take a walk, just a little walk
C7 F C G7 C
Down beside where the waters flow, down by the banks of the Ohio

C G7 G7 C
And only say that you'll be mine, in no others arms entwined
C7 F C G7 C
Down beside where the waters flow, down by the banks of the Ohio

C G7 G7 C
I held a knife against her breast, as into my arms she pressed
C7 F C G7 C
She cried, "My love, don't you murder me, I'm not prepared for eternity."

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And only say that you'll be mine, in no others arms entwined
C7 F C G7 C
Down beside where the waters flow, down by the banks of the Ohio

C G7 G7 C
I started home between twelve and one, I cried "Oh Lord, what have I done?"
C7 F C G7 C
I've killed the only girl I loved, because she would not be my wife

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And only say that you'll be mine, in no others arms entwined
C7 F C G7 C
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