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On his dying bed

O bury me not on the lone prairie  $\mathbf{G}^{\mathbf{m7}}$   $\mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{7}}$   $\mathbf{F}$  These words came low and mournful - ly  $\mathbf{F}$  From the cold pale lips of a youth who lay  $\mathbf{G}^{\mathbf{m7}}$   $\mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{7}}$   $\mathbf{F}$ 

He'd wasted time til upon his brow
The shadowed clouds were gatherin' now
He thought of his home and his friends so nigh
Oh the cowboys gathered to see him die

at the close of day

I fancy I'll listen to the well known word Of the free wild wind and the song of birds He thought of his home and the cottonwood there And the songs her learned in his childhood hour

I often thought I'd be laid when I die In the old churchyard by the green hillside By the side of my father let my grave be O bury me not on the lone prairie

O bury me not on the lone prairie Where the wild coyotes may howl over me Where the buffalo roams and the winds blow free O bury me not on the lone prairie I want to be laid where mothers prayers And sisters tears will mingle there Where friends will come and weep over me O bury me not on the lone prairie

O bury me not and his voice fell there We heeded not his dying prayer In a narrow grave just six by three We buried him there on the lone prairie

We buried him there on the lone prairie Where the buzzards fly and the wind blows free Where rattlesnakes rattle and the tumbleweeds Blow across his grave on the lone prairie









