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**Close by**

You've gone so far away, my darling  
Each time I think of you I cry  
I press your picture to my bosom  
Then I feel that you're close by

Years your passed, you've not returned, dear  
Now they say that you have died  
But your soul will live forever  
Now I know you'll be close by

I saw you last while you were leavin'  
the tears from you I tried to hide  
You took me in your arms and said, dear  
Your memory I keep close by

They buried you in a lonely graveyard  
And a spot they left beside  
there I'll sleep 'till Jesus calls us  
So that we can be close by