

# Natalie Merchant, Beloved Wife

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For fifty years simply my beloved wife  
With another love I'll never lie again  
It's you I can't deny  
It's you I can't defy  
A depth so deep  
Into my grief  
Without my beloved soul  
I renounce my life  
As my right  
Now alone without my beloved wife  
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My love is gone she suffered long  
In hours of pain  
My love is gone and now my suffering begins  
My love is gone would it be wrong  
If I should surrender  
All the joy in my life  
Go with her tonight

My love is gone she suffered long  
In hours of pain  
My love is gone would it be wrong  
If I should just turn my face away from my life  
Go with her tonight