

Nilsson Harry, I'd Rather Be Dead

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Vocals: Harry Nilsson with the senior citizens of the
Stepney & Pinner Choir--Club No. 6, London, England

Accordian: Henry Krein

Rhythm Section: The Henry Krein Quartet plus

Klaus Voorman

I'd rather be dead--I'd rather be dead

I'd rather be dead than wet my bed

I'd rather be dead--I'd rather be dead

I said dead than wet my bed

Oh, I'd rather be gone--Than carry on

I'd rather go away--Than feel this way

Oh, I'd rather be there--Where you haven't got a care

And you're better off dead--Though it doesn't seem fair

Oh, I'd rather be dead--I'd rather be dead

I'd rather be dead than wet than wet my bed

I'd rather be dead--I'd rather be dead

I'd rather be dead than wet than wet my bed

(Ladies)

I'd rather keep my health--and dress myself

But you're better off dead than sitting on a shelf

(Men)

I'll tie my tie 'till the day I die

But if I have to be fed then I'd rather be dead

And when he takes my hand on the very last day

I will understand because it's better that way

Oh! It's nice to be alive--When the dream comes true

You'll be better off dead--It could happen to you

Oh! I'd rather be dead--I'd rather be dead

I'd rather be dead than wet my bed

I'd rather be dead--I'd rather be dead

I'd rather be dead than wet than wet my bed

(Alright! Give yourselves a big hand!)

(Clapping.)