

# Frankie Laine, Cool Water

The Cry Of the Wild Goose

- Artist: Frankie Laine as sung on "Hell Bent For Leather"; Columbia CS 8415
- peak Billboard position # 1 for 2 weeks in 1950
- competing version by Tennessee Ernie Ford peaked at #15
- Words and Music by Terry Gilkyson

My heart knows what the wild goose knows  
And I must go where the wild goose goes  
Wild goose, brother goose, which is best?  
A wanderin' fool or a heart at rest?  
Tonight I heard the wild goose cry  
Hangin' north in the lonely sky  
Tried to sleep, it warn't no use  
'cause I am a brother to the old wild goose

CHORUS

(Oh, my heart knows what the wild goose knows)  
(And I must go where the wild goose goes)  
Wild goose, brother goose, which is best?  
A wanderin' fool or a heart at rest?  
Woman was kind and true to me  
She thinks she loves me, more fool she!  
She's got a love that ain't no use  
To love a brother of the old wild goose

CHORUS

The cabin is warm and the snow is deep  
And I got a woman who lies asleep  
She'll wake up tomorrow's dawn  
And find, poor critter, that her man is gone  
(Oh, my heart knows what the wild goose knows)  
(And I must go where the wild goose goes)  
(Wild goose, brother goose, which is best?)  
(A wanderin' fool or a heart at rest?)  
Let me fly, let me fly, let me fly away  
Spring is comin' and the ice will break  
And I can't linger for a woman's sake  
She'll see a shadow pass overhead  
And she'll find a feather 'side her bed

CHORUS

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