## Hanson, Lay Me Down

I'll never walk away from this I'll pull you closely to my chest With a father's breaking heart I'll walk you one last time into the dark

There are no reasons to explain A silent killer bears no blame There are no answers though I pray I die though this is not my grave

And I lay you down Lay you down

I'll carry you child To a place where you can rest Sweet tears that seep into the linens As I put you down to bed

It tears me into pieces watching you Fight to fill your lungs with breath There's no need to struggle There's no need to struggle

I lay you down Lay you down Don't you cry no more I'll lay me down Lay me down

Well, I'm not ready I'm not ready for this Oh, well, I'm not ready I'm not ready for this

There are no branches from this soil My broken spirit steals my voice I have no secrets to my name Only the shadows hide my shame

And so I lift you upon my shoulder Inside a splintered wooden chest To Avalon we line the streets I only hope that you'll finally rest

I'm not ready for this I'll lay you down Lay you down Don't you cry no more

I'll lay me down Lay me down I'd gladly lay me down Lay me down