

**WAITIN' AROUND TO DIE**

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**C#m**  
SOMETIMES I DON'T KNOW WHERE  
**F#m**  
THIS DIRTY ROAD IS TAKING ME  
**C#m** **Ab7**  
SOMETIMES I CAN'T EVEN SEE THE REASON WHY  
**C#m**  
I GUESS I KEEP A-GAMBLIN'  
**F#m**  
LOTS OF BOOZE AND LOTS OF RAMBLIN'  
**C#m** **Ab7** **C#m**  
IT'S EASIER THAN JUST WAITIN' AROUND TO DIE

ONE TIME, FRIENDS, I HAD A MA  
I EVEN HAD A PA  
HE BEAT HER A BELT ONCE 'CAUSE SHE CRIED  
SHE TOLD HIM TO TAKE CARE OF ME  
HEADED DOWN TO TENNESSEE  
IT'S EASIER THAN JUST WAITIN' AROUND TO DIE

I CAME OF AGE AND I FOUND A GIRL  
IN A TUSCALOOSA BAR  
SHE CLEANED ME OUT AND HIT IN ON THE SLY  
I TRIED TO KILL THE PAIN, BOUGHT SOME WINE  
AND HOPPED A TRAIN  
SEEMED EASIER THAN JUST WAITIN' AROUND TO DIE

A FRIEND SAID HE KNEW  
WHERE SOME EASY MONEY WAS  
WE ROBBED A MAN, AND BROTHER DID WE FLY  
THE POSSE CAUGHT UP WITH ME  
AND DRUG ME BACK TO MUSKOGEE  
IT'S TWO LONG YEARS I'VE BEEN WAITIN' AROUND TO DIE

NOW I'M OUT OF PRISON  
I GOT ME A FRIEND AT LAST  
HE DON'T DRINK OR STEAL OR CHEAT OR LIE  
HIS NAME'S CODINE  
HE'S THE NICEST THING I'VE SEEN  
TOGETHER WE'RE GONNA WAIT AROUND AND DIE  
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