

TOM DOOLEY -

CHORUS:

Hang down your head Tom Dooley, hang down your head and cry.
Hang down your head Tom Dooley, poor boy you're bound to die.

I met her on the mountain where I took her life.
I met her on the mountain, stabbed her with my knife.

CHORUS:

Hang down your head Tom Dooley, hang down your head and cry.
Hang down your head Tom Dooley, poor boy you're bound to die.

This time tomorrow, reckon where I'll be.
If it hadn't a been for Grayson, I'd a been in Tennessee.

CHORUS:

Hang down your head Tom Dooley, hang down your head and cry.
Hang down your head Tom Dooley, poor boy you're bound to die.

This time tomorrow, reckon where I'll be.
Down in some lonesome valley, hangin' from a white oak tree.

CHORUS:

Hang down your head Tom Dooley, hang down your head and cry.
Hang down your head Tom Dooley, poor boy you're bound to die.

REPEAT CHORUS.

Repeat: Poor boy, you're bound to die.
Poor boy, you're bound to die.

"Tom Dooley" is a North Carolina folk song based on the 1866 murder of a woman named Laura Foster in Wilkes County, North Carolina, allegedly by Tom Dula. The song is best known today because of a hit version recorded in 1958 by The Kingston Trio. A local poet named Thomas Land wrote a song about the tragedy, titled "Tom Dooley" (which was how Dula's name was pronounced), shortly after Dula was hanged.