

That'll Be the Day

Written by Buddy Holly, Jerry Allison, and Norman Petty

CHORUS:

Well, that'll be the day, when you say goodbye. Yes, that'll be the day, when you make me cry.

You say you're gonna leave, you know it's a lie, 'cause that'll be the day when I die.

Well, you give me all your lovin' and your turtle dovin'
All your hugs and kisses and your money too.

Well, you know you love me baby, still you tell me maybe
that someday, well I'll be blue.

CHORUS

When Cupid shot his dart, he shot it at your heart
So, if we ever part and I leave you.

You sit and hold me and you tell me boldly
that someday, well, I'll be blue.

CHORUS

Well, that'll be the day, hoo-hoo. That'll be the day, hoo-hoo.
That'll be the day, hoo-hoo. That'll be the day hey-hey when I die.

This song was first recorded by Buddy Holly and the Three Tunes in 1956, and re-recorded in 1957 by Holly and his new band, the Crickets. The 1957 recording achieved widespread success. Holly's producer, Norman Petty, was credited as a co-writer, although he did not contribute to the composition.