

# Close By (G)

Robert van Winkle & Bill Monroe

**G D G**  
You've gone so far away, my darling  
**C**  
Each time I think of you I cry  
**G**  
I press your picture to my bosom  
**D G**  
Then I feel that you're close by

**G D G**  
I saw you last while you were leaving  
**C**  
The tears for you I tried to hide  
**G**  
You took me in your arms and said dear  
**D G**  
Your me-mo-ry I'll keep close by

**G D G**  
The years have passed, you've not returned dear  
**C**  
And now they say that you have died  
**G**  
But your soul will live forever  
**D G**  
Now I know you'll be close by

**G D G**  
They buried you in a lonely graveyard  
**C**  
And a spot they left beside  
**G**  
May we sleep in peace together  
**D G**  
Then we'll always be close by