

# “Stand by Me” by Ben E. King in 1961

## [INTRO]

G--- G--- Em--- Em--- C--- D--- G---

## [VERSE 1]

G G  
When the night has come

Em Em  
And the land is dark

C D G  
And the moon is the only light we'll see

G G Em Em  
No I won't be afraid, oh-I won't be afraid

C D G  
Just as long as you stand, stand by me

## [CHORUS 1]

G D G G Em Em  
So darlin', darlin', stand by me, oh stand by me

C D G  
Oh... stand, stand by me, stand by me...

## [VERSE 2]

G G  
If the sky that we look upon

Em Em  
should tumble and fall

C D G  
or the mountains should crumble to the sea

**G G Em Em**  
I won't cry, I won't cry, no I won't shed a tear

**C D G**  
Just as long, as you stand, stand by me.

**[CHORUS 2]**

**G D G G Em Em**  
So darlin', darlin', stand by me, oh stand by me

**C D G**  
Whoa... stand now, stand by me, stand by me...

**(Music Only: G--- G--- Em--- Em--- C--- D--- G---)**

**[CHORUS 3]**

**G D G G Em Em**  
So darlin', darlin', stand by me, oh stand by me

**C D G**  
Whoa... stand now, stand by me, stand by me...

**[Outro]**

**G D G G**  
Whenever you're in trouble won't you stand by me,

**Em Em**  
Oh stand by me

**C D G**  
Whoa... stand now, ooh stand, stand by me (x2)