THE BUTCHER BOY

Traditional

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The following chords are used in this song:

022100 X02220 XX0232 244322 024432 E A D F#m Bm

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D A A butcher boy I loved right well

 $\label{eq:fmm} F\#M \qquad \qquad Bm$ He courted me my life away

E A I wish, I wish in vain

D A I wish I was a maid again

 $\label{eq:fmm} F\#M \qquad \qquad Bm$ But a maid again I'll never be

 $\label{eq:fmm} F\#M \qquad \qquad Bm$ And me poor girl to be dead and gone

 $$\tt E$$ ${\tt A}$ With the long green grass growing over me

E A He went upstairs and the door he broke

He found her hanging from a rope

 $$\operatorname{F\#m}$$ Bm He took his knife and he cut her down

 $$\rm E$$ $$\rm A$$ And in her pocket these words he found

(solo) F#m Bm E A

 $$\rm E$$ $$\rm A$$ "Oh make my grave large, wide and deep

 $\begin{tabular}{lll} D & A \\ Put a marble stone at my head and feet \\ \end{tabular}$

 $$\rm E$$ $$\rm A$$ So the world may know I died of love"

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