

# LEB/2/65/3 I Wish My Baby It Was Born

Collected by Lucy E. Broadwood

Joseph Taylor, Saxby, Lincolnshire, 7 March 1906

(Editorial suggestion ♩ = 132)

I wish my ba - by it was born Laid smil - ing  
on his fa - ther's knee; And I was dead and in my  
grave, And green grass a - grow - ing o - ver me.  
Dig me my grave long wide and deep, Put a mar - ble  
stone at my head and feet, A turtle - white dove set over a -  
bove, To let the world know that I die of love.

(a) (b) (c) (d) (a) var. 1 (c) var. (d) var. (a) var. 2 (b) var.\*

\*This variant, notated by LEB, does not match the words she wrote down. However, in the extant recording, Joseph Taylor sings "Put a turtle-white dove..." which fits the pair of quavers.

-Ed.