Pietà (In the shadow of a manger)

In the shadow of a manger, by a candles dancing flame, tender Mary holds her baby, and she breathes His holy name. Jesus rest your weary head, close your weeping eyes. As evening falls, she starts to sing a lullaby.

Lulay, lulay, peace be yours tonight.

In the shadow of the temple, in a place so far from home, Mary sees her child of wonder, and she marvels how Hess grown. Jesus rest your weary head, and think on gentle things. With loving arms she holds her Savior and she sings,

Lulay, lulay, peace be yours tonight.

In the shadow of Golgotha, underneath a darkened sky, Mary gently cradles Jesus. Through her tears she says goodbye. Jesus rest your weary head. Your work on earth is done. And as the darkness falls, she whispers to her son,

Lulay, lulay, peace be yours tonight.

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