

# The Way It Goes Gillian Welch

Hear this song at: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AiS37\\_EULj8](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AiS37_EULj8) (play along with capo at 3<sup>rd</sup> fret)

From: Richard G's Ukulele Songbook [www.scorpex.net/Uke](http://www.scorpex.net/Uke)

Intro: [Dm] [Dm] [A7] [Dm]

[Dm] Becky Johnson bought the farm put a needle in her arm  
That's the [A7] way that it goes that's the [Dm] way  
And her brother laid her down in the cold Kentucky ground  
That's the [A7] way that it goes that's the [Dm] way

**Chorus:** *That's the [F] way that it [Dm] goes*

*Every[Bb]body's buying little baby [F] clothes [C]*

*That's the [F] way that it [Dm] ends*

*Though there [Bb] was a time when [A7] she and I were [Dm] friends*

[Dm] Well Miranda ran away took her cat and left LA  
That's the [A7] way that it goes that's the [Dm] way  
She was busted broke and flat had to sell that pussy cat  
That's the [A7] way that it goes that's the [Dm] way

**Repeat chorus:**...though there was a time when **he and I** were friends

[Dm] See the brightest ones of all early in October fall  
That's the [A7] way that it goes that's the [Dm] way  
While the dark ones go to bed with good whisky in their heads  
That's the [A7] way that it goes that's the [Dm] way

[Dm] [Dm] [A7] [Dm]

[Dm] Billy Joe's back in the tank you tell Russo I'll tell Frank  
That's the [A7] way that it goes that's the [Dm] way  
Did he throw her down a well did she leave him for that swell  
That's the [A7] way that it goes that's the [Dm] way

**Repeat chorus:**...there was a time when **all of us** were friends

[Dm] When you lay me down to rest leave a pistol in my vest  
That's the [A7] way that it goes that's the [Dm] way  
Do you miss my gentle touch did I hurt you very much  
That's the [A7] way that it goes that's the [Dm] way

**Repeat chorus:**...there was a time when **you and I** were [Dm] friends

