

# Silently

Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was:  
and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it. Ec. 12:7

1. Si - lent-ly, si - lent-ly, Sleep the peace-ful dead; Mourn-ful - ly, sigh - ing - ly,  
2. Si - lent-ly, si - lent-ly, They are laid to rest, Free from care, o - ver there,  
3. Si - lent-ly, si - lent-ly, Cross-ing o'er the tide, Hope - ful - ly, peace - ful - ly,  
4. Si - lent-ly, si - lent-ly, We a - wait His call, When we'll rise to the skies,

Tears o'er them are shed. Though the dust to dust re - turn - eth Yet their spir - its now have gone  
Dwell - ing with the blest. They shall bear no more life's bur - dens, Sick-ness, sor - row, death, or pain;  
Gone where saints a - bide. Cease thy sor-row and thy weep - ing; Brush a - way the fall - ing tears:  
Vic - tors o - ver all. In sweet par - a - dise we'll meet them, On the morn when Christ shall come

*Refrain*

To the God of love, who giv - eth; And their works do fol - low on.  
In that spir - it - land they're wait - ing, Where with Christ their souls shall reign. Si - lent-ly to rest we lay them,  
They're not in the cold grave sleep - ing, But they live in end - less years.  
To a - wak - en eve - ry na - tion, And to take the ran - somed home.

Emp - ty is their house of clay; Un - to God the soul re - turn - eth, Si - lent-ly to pass a - way.