

FRANK from TALLBOY WALKIN' by Joshua James

PAUL

You killed your wife?

FRANK

Yes.

SEAN

Why?

FRANK

She asked me to. **(short pause)** I love my wife. She's been gone a few years now, but I still love her every day just as much as when she was with me. Meeting her was one of the best things that ever happened to me. She was just the sweetest, most wonderful being I had ever met and I loved her so much. Just like the bible says, in sickness and health, I loved her. All during her sickness, I loved her. She was sick a long time. It was painful for her, toward the end, she was hurting so much, it was more than anyone should be asked to bear. She asked me, near the end, she asked me, did I love her. Of course I do. She asked me how much did I love her. As much as she needs me to. She asked me for help. I gave it to her. She asked me for my help and love and God forgive me, I couldn't refuse her. **(short pause)** It was a sad thing.