

# The River of No Return

music by Lionel Newman • lyrics by Ken Darby • 1954

published in E-flat  
Marilyn sings in B-flat

over pedal bass E

If you lis-ten you can hear it call: *Wail-a - ree.*

There is a riv - er called the Riv - er of No Re - turn,

Some - times it's peace - ful, and some - times wild and free,

Love is a trav - 'ler on the Riv - er of No Re - turn,

Swept on for - ev - er to be lost in the storm - y sea. *Wail - a -*

*ree* I can hear the riv - er call, No re - turn, no re - turn,

*Wail - a - ree,* I can hear my lov er call: Come to me. I lost my

love on the riv - er, and for - ev - er my heart will yearn,

Gone, gone for - ev - er down the Riv - er of No Re - turn. *Wail - a -*

*ree,* *wail - a - ree - ee - ee,* You nev - er re - turn to me.