

Spooky

(Classics IV)

{Intro}

[Verse 1]

In the cool of the evening
When everything is getting kinda
groovy
I call you up and ask you
Would you like to go with me and
see a movie
At first you say no you've got
some plans for tonight
And then you stop and say alright
Love is kinda crazy with a spooky
little girl like you

[Verse 2]

You always keep me guessing
I never seem to know what you
are thinking
And if a fellow looks at you
You'd be sure your little eye will
be a-winking
I get confused cause I don't know
where I stand
And then you smile and hold my
hand

Love is kinda crazy with a spooky
little girl like you

Spooky!

{Bridge}

[Verse 3]

If you decide someday
To stop this little game that you
are playing
I'm gonna tell you all the things
My heart's been a-dying to be
saying
Just like a ghost
You've been a-haunting my
dreams
So I propose on Halloween
Love is kinda crazy
With a spooky little girl like you

[Outro]

Spooky!
Spooky!
I said Spooky...

"Spooky" was originally an instrumental song performed by saxophonist Mike Sharpe (Shapiro), written by Shapiro and Harry Middlebrooks, Jr., which first charted in 1967 hitting #57 on the US pop charts. Its best-known version was created by James Cobb and producer Buddy Buie for the group Classics IV when they added lyrics about a "spooky little girl". The song is noted for its eerie whistling sound effect depicting the spooky little girl. It has become a Halloween favorite. In 1968, the vocal version of the song reached #3 in the U.S. (Billboard Hot 100) and #46 in the UK.

J.R. Cobb and bandmate Dean Daughtry later became part of the Atlanta Rhythm Section and re-recorded "Spooky" in 1979, also produced by Buie. It was the second of two singles released from their Underdog LP.

ARS's version hit #17 in the US on Billboard and #15 on Cash Box. It also charted minorly internationally.