

# The Ritual of the Departed



Cleanse the Ves- sel and re- move the tain- ted world, Take the Form fo- r



7 all men to view. Close up the Flesh for this sto- ry has gro- wn old, A- noint the



14 Frame and pre- pare them a- new. Dressed in sa- tin and dr- aped in silk,  
You who li- ve take up your bur- den,



21 All of us jour- ney yet few of us find the way, O' come mourn for this  
Bear it thus hence un- to its fi- nal res- ting place,



27 soul is now de- part- ing, Mourn for the night that must fol- low the day. O' la-



34 ment as you stand be- side the grave side, Rest now our kins- men in peace and in



40 grace.