

Dance With My Father
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[Intro]

Bb F Gm Eb

[Verse 1]

Bb **F Gm** **F** **Bb**
Back when I was a child, before life removed all the innocence
Bb **Dm Eb** **F** **Bb**
My father would lift me high and dance with my mother and me and then
Bb **Eb**
Spin me around til I fell asleep
Cm **Bb**
Then up the stairs he would carry me
Cm **F**
And I knew for sure I was loved
Bb **Dm** **Gm** **Eb**
If I could get another chance, another walk, another dance with him
Cm **Gm**
I d play a song that would never, ever end
Cm
How I d love, love, love
F **Bb**
To dance with my father again

[Instrumental]

Bb F Gm Eb

[Verse 2]

Bb **F**
When I and my mother would disagree
Gm **F** **Bb**
To get my way, I would run from her to him
Bb **Dm**
He d make me laugh just to comfort me
Eb **F** **Bb**
Then finally make me do just what my mama said
Bb **Eb**
Later that night when I was asleep
Cm **Bb**
He left a dollar under my sheet
Cm **F**
Never dreamed that he would be gone from me
Bb **Dm** **Gm** **Eb**
If I could steal one final glance, one final step, one final dance with him
Cm **Gm**
I d play a song that would never, ever end
Cm

Cause I d love, love, love

F **Bb**

To dance with my father again

Eb **F**

Sometimes I d listen outside her door

Bb **Gm**

And I d hear how my mother cried for him

Eb **F**

I pray for her even more than me

Eb **F**

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[Instrumental]

Bb F Gm Eb

**Change in key from Bb to C!

[Verse 3]

C **G**

I know I m praying for much too much

Am **F**

But could you send back the only man she loved

Dm **Am**

I know you don t do it usually

Dm

But dear Lord she s dying

G **C**

To dance with my father again

Dm

Every night I fall asleep and this is all I ever dream

[Outro]

C G Am F C