

A Keeper For Every Flame
Mary Chapin Carpenter

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A KEEPER FOR EVERY FLAME (Mary Chapin Carpenter)

[Actually in A; capo 2.]
[Each chord is half of a measure.]
[Standard tuning.]

G G C G C C Em/G D/A

[intro]

G G C G C C D G

[intro]

G G C G C C Em D

She says it s been so long, she can t remember when

G G C G C C D G

The mention of his name didn t make her feel again

G G C G C C Em D

That everything is possible and every day a brand new start

G G C G C C D G

Yeah, love s something powerful when it finds a willing heart

Bm Bm C C
Sometimes it s a fire burning out of control

Em Em C C
Sometimes it s a candle burning long and low

G G C G

All these years she never let it go

C C D G

There s a keeper for every flame

G G C G C C Em D

[instrumental]

G G C G C C D G

[instrumental]

There is someone in his past that he hasn t gotten over yet
Each day s like the last, he just misses what he can t forget

It s just an empty space where something used to be
Now he guards the gate, but he s lost the key
So no one enters, but no one leaves
There s a keeper for every flame

Bm Bm C C Em Em C C

[instrumental]

G G C G C C D G

[instrumental]

Thought my heart had broken, but it was just a little bruised
I thought love had spoken, I guess I was just confused

Sometimes we were a fire burning out of control
Sometimes we were nothing but a candle glow
But it never died, baby, how I know
There s a keeper for every flame

G G C G C C Em D G G C G C C D G

[instrumental; repeat and fade]

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