

# Up From the River

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Up From the River  
written by kim beggs  
from the album Wanderer's Paean

Kim Beggs â€™ vocals â•, guitar  
Bob Hamilton â€™ rayco â•, upright bass  
Annie Avery â€™ harmonium

I passed through my Mama in her last cry  
I kept warm in the blood of her thighs  
They told me that I took her life  
On that cold winter morning she gave me mine

My Papa swore he'd be comin' home  
Before the winter, before I'm born  
He didn't want to leave poor Mama to cope with  
My poor Papa died in the cold, cold war

Up from the river I am flyin'  
To the place in my heart where it's dyin'  
Up to the sky no more crying  
My Mama's gonna sing me a lullabyin'

Raised at the river by thhe old ones tryin'  
Their best in the hard times and baby's cryin'  
For the arms, the spirit, the blood of my family  
The song in my heart calls me to heavenly

Make a tea of my bitter view  
Make it strong, make it true  
Make it sweet with the morning dew  
It's ready when my love pass through

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Lyrics submitted by Kim.

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