

Friends

Patricia Barber

Packing up the dreams, God planted
In the fertile soil of you
I can't believe the hopes He's granted
Means a chapter in your life is through
But we'll keep you close as always
It won't even seem you've gone
'Cause our hearts, in big and small ways
Will keep the love that keeps us strong
And friends are friends forever
If the Lord's the Lord of them
And a friend will not say, "Never"
'Cause the welcome will not end
Though it's hard to let you go
In the father's hands, we know
That a lifetime's not too long
To live as friends
With the faith and love, God's given
Springing from the hope we know
We will pray the joy you'll live in
Is the strength that now you show
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