

# My Father

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My father always promised me  
That we would live in France  
We'd go boating on the seine  
And I would learn to dance  
We lived in Ohio then  
He worked in the mines  
On his dreams like boats, we knew  
We would sail in time, in time  
My sisters are [Incomprehensible] went away  
To Denver and Cheyenne  
Marrying their grownup dreams  
The lilacs and the man

I stayed behind the youngest still  
And I danced alone  
Hoping of my fathers dreams  
Someday, take me home, take me home  
And I live in Paris now  
My children dance and sing  
Words of a miners tongue  
Language they've never sing  
I sail my memories of home  
Like boats across the Seine  
And watch my fathers eyes, watch the setting sun  
It sets in my fathers eyes again

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