

My Father

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My father always promised us 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'd sail in time

All my sisters soon were gone to Denver and Cheyenne
Marrying their grown up dreams the lilacs and the man
I stayed behind the youngest still only danced alone
The colours of my fathers dreams faded without a sound

And I live in Paris now my children dance and dream
Hearing the words of a miners life in words they've never seen
I sail my memories of hope like boat across the Seine
And watch the Paris sun set in my fathers eyes again

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