Best Man

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My Mama got married to someone I barely knew
They had me then had my sister too
I was too young to understand why he left
But how it broke my Mama's heart, I'll never forget
It was 3 years before she met somebody new
And though I didn't have much to compare him to
He was the best man my Mama ever loved
Not the kind that walks away but the kind that don't give up
Devoted and true, someone to look up to
Even a boy of 8 could understand he was the best man
He called me his son and I called him dad
He was like no friend that I had ever had
He taught me how to drive a nail and build a go-cart
And how to love a woman with all of my heart
One night we watched him get down on one knee
And ask Mama to be his wife, then asked me
To be the best man and I stood by his side
As he lifted the veil of that beautiful bride
He said "I do", then she did too, as she walked
Back down the aisle holding hands with the best man
He said "I do" then she did too and she walked
Back down the aisle holding hands with the best man
Dad, you're still the best man

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