

Will The Circle Be Unbroken (encore)

Mavis Staples

I was standing by my window
On a cold and cloudy day
When I saw the hearse come rollin'
For to take my mother away

Will the circle be unbroken?
By and by Lord, by and by
There's a better home a-waitin'
In the sky Lord, in the sky

I told the undertaker:
"Undertaker, please drive slow
For this body you are haulin'
Lord, I hate to see her go"

Will the circle be unbroken?
By and by Lord, by and by
There's a better home a-waitin'
In the sky Lord, in the sky

Well I followed close behind her
Tried to hold up and be brave
But I could not hide my sorrow
When they laid her in the grave

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In the sky Lord, in the sky

I went back home, my home was lonesome
Missed my mother she was gone
All my brothers and sisters crying
In our home so sad and alone

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We sang the songs of childhood
Hymns of faith that made us strong
Ones that our mother had taught us
Hear the angels sing along

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