

DON'T STEP ON MOTHER'S ROSES

Johnny Cash

D **G** **D**
WE ALL WE'RE CALLED TO COME BACK TO THE OLD HOME ON THE FARM
A **D**
MOTHER PASSED AWAY, WHAT A MOURNFUL DAY
G **D**
AND AS MY DADDY WATCHED HIS EYES WERE FILLED WITH PAIN AND HURT
E **A**
WHEN SOMEONE STEPPED UPON A ROSE AND CRUSHED IT IN THE DIRT

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DON'T STEP ON MOTHER'S ROSES, DADDY CRIED
A **D**
SHE PLANTED THEM THE DAY SHE WAS MY BRIDE
G **D**
AND EV'RY TIME I SEE A ROSE, I SEE HER SMILING FACE
E **A**
SHE MADE MY DARKEST DAYS LOOK BRIGHT 'ROUND THE OLD HOMEPLACE
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DON'T STEP ON MOTHER'S ROSES, LET 'EM GROW
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THE WAY THEY DID SINCE MANY YEARS AGO
G **D**
THEY'LL BLOOM FOR ME EACH YEAR, AND I'LL HAVE MOTHER NEAR
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YEARS HAVE PASSED AWAY AND HOW THE OLD HOMEPLACE HAS CHANGED
DADDY HAD TO GO, WE ALL MISS HIM SO
CHILDREN PICK THE ROSES AS THEY GO ALONG THE WAY
BUT WHEN THEIR PEDALS ARE ABUSED, I HEAR MY DADDY SAY

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