



Autumn Bluegrass Dec 2 2020

Song Feature: A Beautiful Life

In 1918, **William Golden** wrote the words and music to A Beautiful Life which is known and loved for its bass lead in the chorus and Where The Soul Never Dies. Born: January 28, 1878. Died: May 13, 1934, in a traffic accident near Eupora, Mississippi.

Example Artists & Links

Jim & Jesse and the Virginia Boys

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LLDwCl8lG8g>

Bill Monroe <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2viSUBomRek>

Doyle Lawson <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yc1x2j4ec-M>

Easy Jam Dec 2

32 Acres | Orphan Girl | A Beautiful Life | Wildwood Flower | Those Memories | The River Mother Nature & Me

32 Acres

Randall Hylton

1 5 1
 I sawed the timber for the cabin floor
 5 1
 I built a plank fence out of locust board
 4 1
 I worked the corn rows in the early morn'
 5 1
 And raised a family on a poor man's farm

4 1
32 acres of bottomland
 5 1
Bought and paid for with my own hand
 4 1
Worth a fortune to a working man
 5 1
32 acres of bottomland

I planted a peach tree now the leaves are dying
 I watered a grape vine it's no longer mine
 The county's taken everything I own
 Cause it's on the right of way for a four-lane road

4/4 time

Verse

1 1 / 5 1 1
 5 5 1 1
 4 4 1 1
 5 5 1 1

CHORUS

4 4 1 1
 5 5 1 1
 4 4 1 1
 5 5 1 1

Number System 1=key
Chord Progression

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
C	d	e	F	G	a	b	C
G	a	b	C	D	e	f#	G
D	e	f#	G	A	b	c#	D
A	b	c#	D	E	f#	g#	A

A Beautiful Life

Stanley Brothers

1 4 1
Each day I'll do, a golden deed
5 1
By helping those who are in need
4 1
My life on Earth is but a span
5 1
And so I'll do the best I can
4
Life's evening sun, is sinking low
5 1
A few more days, and I must go
4 1
To meet the deeds, that I have done
5 1
Where there will be no setting sun

To be a child of good each day
Our light must shine along the way
I'll shout and sing while the ages roll
And try to lift some troubled soul

While going down life's dreary road
I'll try to lift some traveler's load
I'll try to turn the night to day
Make flowers bloom along the way

Verse

1 1/4 1 1
5 5 1 1
1 1/4 1 1
1 5 1 1

Chorus

1 1 4 4
5 5 1 1
1 1/4 1 1
1 1/5 1/4 1

Number System 1=key

Chord Progression

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
C d e F G a b C
G a b C D e f# G
D e f# G A b c# D
A b c# D E f# g# A

Those Memories

Alan OBryant

**Those memories of you still haunt me
Every night when I lay down
I'll always love you my little darlin'
Until the day they lay me down**

In dreams of you my body trembles
I wake up and I call your name
But your not there and I'm so lonesome
Without your love I'd go insane

I close my eyes and your there with me
Your lips I feel your face I see
It's not your lips now that drive me crazy
It's just your haunting memories

4/4 time

Verse

1	1 /7	1	1
1	1	5	5
4	4	1	1
4	5	1	1

CHORUS

1	1 /7	1	1
1	1	5	5
4	4	1	1
4	5	1	1

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D	e	f#	G	A	b	c#	D
A	b	c#	D	E	f#	g#	A

Wildwood Flower

Joseph Philbrick Webster, also known as J.P. Webster (February 18, 1819 – January 18, 1875)
with lyrics attributed to Maud Irving.

1 1 5 1 1
1 1 5 1 1
1 1 4 1
1 1 5 1 1

Number System 1=key

Chord Progression

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
C d e F G a b C
G a b C D e f# G
D e f# G A b c# D
A b c# D E f# g# A

1 5 1
Oh, I'll twine the ringlets and raven black hair

5 1
With the roses so red and the lilies so fair

4 1
And the myrtle so bright with the emerald hue

5 1
The pale and the leader with eyes of bright blue

Oh I'll dance, I will sing and my laugh shall be gay
I will charm every heart, in his crown I will sway
When I woke from my dreaming, my idol was clay
All portion of love had all flown away

Oh he taught me to love him and promised to love
And to cherish me over all others above
How my heart is now wond'ring no mis'ry can tell
He's left me no warning, no words of farewell

Oh, he taught me to love him and called me his flower
That was blooming to cheer him through life's dreary hour
Oh, I long to see him and regret the dark hour
He loved then neglected his pale wildwood flower

The River, Mother Nature & Me

Jenny Lester 1994

C
There's a place in the north where you still see the moonshine

F C
When the morning sun is high
It's a place Mother Nature takes all her children

F G C
And none are more willing than I

Chorus:

F C
Sitting on rocks down by the river

G
Feeling the powers that be

F C Am
You can howl at the moon, wade the deep water

F C
There's no place that I'd rather be

F G C
Just the river, Mother Nature and me

Chord Progression

Time: 3/4 Key: C

Intro & Turnarounds

4 5 1 1

Verse:

1 1 1 1

4 4 1 1

1 1 1 1

4 5 1 1

Chorus:

4 4 1 1

1 1 5 5

4 4 1 6m 6m

4 4 1 1

4 5 1 1

If you listen at nighttime you'll hear her heart beating
It's a rhythm that lulls me to sleep
If I awake in the city I'll dream of the river
It's a feeling that I long to keep

Chorus

If your heart needs healing go down to the river
And quietly sit on the shore
You'll feel her run through you to mend and renew you
You'll feel life like never before

Chorus

Arrangement

Intro

V1

Chorus

Turnaround

V2

Chorus

Turnaround

V3

Chorus

Repeat chorus acapella

Number System 1=key

Chord Progression

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

C d e F G a b C

G a b C D e f# G

D e f# G A b c# D

A b c# D E f# g# A