## Mother of a Miner's Child

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She is my flower And she blooms for the one who loves her best The miners stop to watch as she walks They know her love is not for sale She will never fail me 'cause I know I watch her grow And the mother of a miner's child Waits for me beside the kitchen door She is my light In this place where the darkness never ends She'll guide me where the tunnels twist and bend She's the only one who listens when I tell her I got less than I can spend She knows the pace Oh mother of a miner's child Was away the coal dust from my face

When the night shift's done
She'll be waiting by the table when I come
Searchin' for another dream to chase
Oh mother of a miner's child
I know that you still think about the day
When we'll be movin' on
Remember dear old daddy and
The promise that I made to carry on

Sometimes I smile
In the cage where the cables softly hum
I'd curse that old straw boss to the bone
But the mother of a miner's child
Is waiting for her paycheck to come home
Come saturday
And he is just a miner's boy
I hope that he will find a better way

She is my flower

And she blooms for the one who loves her best

The miners stop to watch as she walks

They know her love is not for sale

She will never fail me 'cause I know

I watch her grow

And the mother of a miner's child

Waits for me beside the kitchen door