Running Bear
J P Richardson (the Big Bopper)

intro: chords for chorus
(beat: dn dn up up dn up - emphasize 1st beat - like a tom tom)

v1:
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G                                                C              G
On the banks of the river stood Runnin' Bear, young Indian brave
                                    C           D7
On the other side of the river stood his lovely Indian maid
      G                                 C        G
Little White Dove was-a her name, such a lovely sight to see
                                        D7              G
But their tribes fought with each other, so their love could never be
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    chorus:
        C              G              D7           G
    Runnin' Bear loved Little White Dove with a love big as the sky
        C              G              D7              G
    Runnin' Bear loved Little White Dove with a love that couldn't die
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v2:
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G                                      C          G
He couldn't swim the raging river 'cause the river was too wide
                                    C         D7
He couldn't reach Little White Dove, waiting on the other side
      G                            C        G
In the moonlight he could see her blowing kisses 'cross the waves
                                  D7          G
Her Little heart was beating faster, waiting for her Indian brave  -- CHORUS
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v3:
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G                                C              G
Runnin' Bear dove in the water, Little White Dove did the same
                                    C              D7
And they swam out to each other through the swirling stream they came
        G                                C              G
As their hands touched and their lips met, the ragin' river pulled them down
                                D7          G
Now they'll always be together in that happy hunting ground  -- CHORUS
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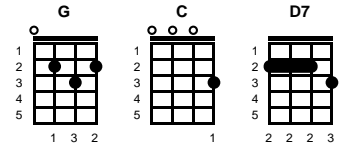
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ending:
        D7          G
With a love that couldn't die
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