**Will The Circle Be Unbroken (Habershon & Gabriel, 1907) (C)  
Recast by A.P. Carter and recorded by the Carter Family as**[**Can The Circle Be Unbroken**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qjHjm5sRqSA) **(1927)**

[**Will The Circle Be Unbroken**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7bRJLkNqNXI) **by The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band with Johnny Cash, Ricky Skaggs**

[**Will the Circle Be Unbroken**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ma99SzyWAzc) **by June & Johnny Cash and Others**

***Tempo = 196 bpm***

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Intro: Chords for chorus**  **C C7 F C**  I was standing by my window, on a cold and cloudy day.  **C Am C G C | C**  When I saw that hearse come rollin’ for to carry my mother a-way.  **Chorus**  **C C7 F C**  Will the circle be un-broken, by and by, Lord, by and by?  **C Am C G C | C**  There's a better home a-waiting, in the sky, Lord, in the sky.  **C C7 F C**  I said to that, under-taker, “Under-taker please drive slow.  **C Am C G C | C**  For this lady you are carrying, Lord I hate to see her go”. **Chorus**  **C C7 F C**  Oh, I followed close be-hind her, tried to hold up and be brave.  **C Am C G C | C**  But I could not hide my sorrow when they laid her in the grave. **Chorus**  **C C7 F C**  I went back home, my home was lonesome, miss my mother she was gone.  **C Am C G C | C**  All my brothers, and sisters crying, what a home so sad and a-lone. **Chorus**  **C C7 F C**  We sang the songs of our childhood, hymns of faith that made us strong.  **C Am C G C | C**  Ones that Mother Maybelle taught us and the angels sang a-long. **Chorus (2x)** | | | | | | |  |
|  |
|  |
|  |
|  |
|  |  | **Bari** |  |  |  |  |  |

**Will The Circle Be Unbroken (Habershon & Gabriel, 1907) (D)  
Recast by A.P. Carter and recorded by the Carter Family as**[**Can The Circle Be Unbroken**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qjHjm5sRqSA) **(1927)**

[**Will The Circle Be Unbroken**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7bRJLkNqNXI) **by The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band with Johnny Cash, Ricky Skaggs**

[**Will the Circle Be Unbroken**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ma99SzyWAzc) **by June & Johnny Cash and Others**

***Tempo = 196 bpm***

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Intro: Chords for chorus**  D D7 G D  I was standing by my window, on a cold and cloudy day.  D Bm D A D | D  When I saw that hearse come rollin’ for to carry my mother a-way.  **Chorus**  D D7 G D  Will the circle be un-broken, by and by, Lord, by and by?  D Bm D A D | D  There's a better home a-waiting, in the sky, Lord, in the sky.  D D7 G D  I said to that, under-taker, “Under-taker please drive slow.  D Bm D A D | D  For this lady you are carrying, Lord I hate to see her go”. **Chorus**  D D7 G D  Oh, I followed close be-hind her, tried to hold up and be brave.  D Bm D A D | D  But I could not hide my sorrow when they laid her in the grave.  **Chorus**  D D7 G D  I went back home, my home was lonesome, miss my mother she was gone.  D Bm D A D | D  All my brothers, and sisters crying, what a home so sad and a-lone.  **Chorus**  D D7 G D  We sang the songs of our childhood, hymns of faith that made us strong.  D Bm D A D | D  Ones that Mother Maybelle taught us and the angels sang a-long. **Chorus (2x)** | | | | | | |  |
|  |
|  |
|  |
|  |
|  |  | **Bari** |  |  |  |  |  |

**Will The Circle Be Unbroken (Habershon & Gabriel, 1907) (G)  
Recast by A.P. Carter and recorded by the Carter Family as**[**Can The Circle Be Unbroken**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qjHjm5sRqSA) **(1927)**

[**Will The Circle Be Unbroken**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7bRJLkNqNXI) **by The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band with Johnny Cash, Ricky Skaggs**

[**Will the Circle Be Unbroken**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ma99SzyWAzc) **by June & Johnny Cash and Others**

***Tempo = 196 bpm***

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Intro: Chords for chorus**  G G7 C G  I was standing by my window, on a cold and cloudy day.  G Em G D G | G  When I saw that hearse come rollin’ for to carry my mother a-way.  **Chorus**  G G7 C G  Will the circle be un-broken, by and by, Lord, by and by?  G Em G D G | G  There's a better home a-waiting, in the sky, Lord, in the sky.  G G7 C G  I said to that, under-taker, “Under-taker please drive slow.  G Em G D G | G  For this lady you are carrying, Lord I hate to see her go”. **Chorus**  G G7 C G  Oh, I followed close be-hind her, tried to hold up and be brave.  G Em G D G | G  But I could not hide my sorrow when they laid her in the grave. **Chorus**  G G7 C G  I went back home, my home was lonesome, miss my mother she was gone.  G Em G D G | G  All my brothers, and sisters crying, what a home so sad and a-lone. **Chorus**  G G7 C G  We sang the songs of our childhood, hymns of faith that made us strong.  G Em G D G | G  Ones that Mother Maybelle taught us and the angels sang a-long. **Chorus (2x)** | | | | | | |  |
|  |
|  |
|  |
|  |
|  |  | **Bari** |  |  |  |  |  |