A SONG WRITTEN FOR BARBARA

Eighty Candles Shine

Birthday

In first grade, a small boy gave a ring
You treasured that bright little thing
You left the wheat fields bound for school
Four years at boarding school were yours
That promise stayed beneath the years
A small light only you could hear

> *Barbara, eighty candles shine*
> *Your love has made our whole tribe strong*
> *We know you gave your best through time*
> *Your loving heart made us belong*

At eighteen, you became a bride
Five babies growing by your side
While growing up, you gave your all
Though hard days made the shadows fall
Your childhood love came back one day
For thirty-five years, best friends stayed
Your grandkids feel your steady light
You make each one feel loved and bright

> *Barbara, eighty candles shine*
> *Your love has made our whole tribe strong*
> *We know you gave your best through time*
> *Your loving heart made us belong*

Tonight we celebrate your years
With grateful hearts and happy tears
May all the love you gave return
And hold you close at every turn

> *Barbara, eighty candles shine*
> *Your love has made our whole tribe strong*
> *We know you gave your best through time*
> *Your loving heart made us belong*

That little ring still catches light
Your love still warms us through the night

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