A SONG WRITTEN FOR LINDA

Timeless Promise

Anniversary



On that double date, the room fell away
Your smile made me forget what I would say
After that night, our hearts began to sing
We found our start in one small, shining thing
I asked if I could kiss you for the first time
You made that moment sweeter than a rhyme

> *Linda, God brought you into my life*
> *Forgive the ways I've caused you pain*
> *I love you still through joy and strife*
> *My love remains the very same*

That plastic ring from a bubblegum machine
Felt like the finest promise ever seen
At the justice of the peace, we said "I do"
Since then, each road has led me back to you
Four kids have filled our home with noise and grace
Seven grandkids bring more laughter to this place
More than thirty-five years have flown on by
And still I see that sparkle in your eye

> *Linda, God brought you into my life*
> *Forgive the ways I've caused you pain*
> *I love you still through joy and strife*
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At St. Paul Bible College, side by side
We learned what faithful love could hold inside
We walked through hard times and still wanted more
You stood beside me, steady as before
I know at times I've taken you for granted
And treated you in ways you never wanted
Yet all these years, my love for you is true
As on the day God first led me to you

On this anniversary, I see
How every year has made you home to me
Let every dawn renew what we have known
I'll keep on choosing you, my heart, my home

> *Linda, God brought you into my life*
> *Forgive the ways I've caused you pain*
> *I love you still through joy and strife*
> *My love remains the very same*

The little ring still glimmers in my mind
Your love's a treasure I still hope to find

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