

**WILL THE CIRCLE BE UNBROKEN (with transition to D)**

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**Key:** C/D**Start note:** C**Time:** 4/4**Strum:** D\_ du \_u du**Intro:** C /// G7 /// C /// C ↓

1. I was standing, by my window, on one cold, and cloudy day  
 C C7 F C  
 C Am C G7 C C ↓  
 When I saw, that hearse come rolling, for to carry my mother a- way

**CHORUS:**

N/S C C7 F C C/  
*Will the circle, be un-broken, by and by, Lord, by and by*  
 / / C Am C G7 C C/  
*There's a better, home a-waiting, in the sky, Lord, in the sky*

2. Lord I told the, under-taker, under-taker, please drive slow  
 / / C C7 F C C/  
 / / C Am C G7 C C ↓  
 For this body, you are hauling, Lord, I hate to see her go

**CHORUS:**

N/S C C7 F C C/  
*Will the circle, be un-broken, by and by, Lord, by and by*  
 / / C Am C G7 C C/  
*There's a better, home a-waiting, in the sky, Lord, in the sky*

3. Oh, I followed, close be-hind her, tried to hold up and be brave  
 / / C C7 F C C/  
 / / C Am C G7 C C ↓  
 But I could not, hide my sorrow, when they laid her in the grave

**CHORUS:**

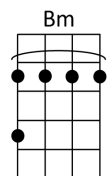
N/S C C7 F C C/  
*Will the circle, be un-broken, by and by, Lord, by and by*  
 / / C Am C G7 C C D D/  
*There's a better, home a-waiting, in the sky, Lord, in the sky*

**Key Change to D:**

4. Went back home, Lord, my home was lonesome  
 / / D D7 D7 /  
 / / G D D/  
 Missed my mother, she was gone  
 / / D Bm D A7 D D ↓  
 All my brothers, sisters crying, what a home, so sad and lone

**CHORUS:**

N/S D D7 G D D/  
*Will the circle, be un-broken, by and by, Lord, by and by*



/ / D Bm D A7 D↓  
There's a better, home a-waiting, in the sky, Lord, in the sky

**CHORUS:**

N/S D D7 G D D/  
Will the circle, be un-broken, by and by, Lord, by and by  
D Bm D A7 D D/  
There's a better, home a-waiting, in the sky, Lord, in the sky

D Bm Bm↓  
Outro: There's a better, home a-waiting.....  
D A7 G7 D↓ (arpeggio)  
(SLOWLY) In the sky.... Lord....in....the....sky