# By The Glow Of The Kerosene Light

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**INTRO: / 1 2 3 / 1 2 3 /**

**[F] / [C] / [F] / [Bb] /**

**[F] / [C] / [Dm] / [Dm] /**

**[F] / [C] / [F] / [F]↓**

I re-**[F]**member the **[C]** time when my **[F]** grandpa and **[Bb]** I

Would **[F]** sit by the **[C]** fire at **[Dm]** night **[Dm]**

And I’d **[F]** listen to **[C]** stories, of **[F]** how he once **[Bb]** lived

By the **[F]** glow of the **[C]** kerosene **[Dm]** light **[Dm]**

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He **[F]** said Mom and **[C]** Dad sent **[F]** me off to **[Bb]** school

Where I **[F]** learned how to **[C]** read and to **[Dm]** write **[Dm]**

And they’d **[F]** listen for **[C]** hours, as I **[F]** read from my **[Bb]** books

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Your **[F]** grandma and **[C]** I, we were **[F]** wed at six-**[Bb]**teen

Lord, **[F]** she was a **[C]** beautiful **[Dm]** sight **[Dm]**

And as **[F]** proudly I **[C]** placed, the **[F]** ring on her **[Bb]** hand

By the **[F]** glow of the **[C]** kerosene **[Dm]** light **[Dm]**

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A-**[F]**bout one year **[C]** later, your **[F]** daddy was **[Bb]** born

And your **[F]** grandma held **[C]** my hand so **[Dm]** tight **[Dm]**

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But **[F]** having her **[C]** child, it did **[F]** weaken her **[Bb]** soul

She **[F]** just wasn’t **[C]** up to the **[Dm]** fight **[Dm]**

But **[F]** she looked so **[C]** peaceful, as she **[F]** went to her **[Bb]** rest

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**[F]** Then, as **[C]** now, the **[F]** times they were **[Bb]** hard

To suc-**[F]**ceed you would **[C]** try all your **[Dm]** might **[Dm]**

And **[F]** sometimes love **[C]** bloomed, but **[F]** sometimes dreams **[Bb]** died

By the **[F]** glow of the **[C]** kerosene **[Dm]** light **[Dm]**

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