I remember when I was a lad times were hard and things were bad But there's a silver lining behind every cloud

Just poor people that's all we were tryin' to make a livin' out of black land dirt

We'd get together in a family circle singin' loud

And daddy sings bass mama sings tenor me and little brother would join right in there

Cause singin' seems to help a troubled soul

One of these days and it won't be long we'll rejoin them in a song

We'll join the family circle at the throne

No the circle won't be broken by and by Lord by and by

When daddy sings bass mama sings tenor

Me and little brother would join right in there in the sky Lord in the sky

Well I remember after work mama would call in all of us And you could hear us singin' for a country mile

Though little brother has done gone on we'll rejoin him in a so ng

We'll be together again up yonder in a little while

And daddy sings bass mama sings tenor...

In the sky Lord in the sky