

## To Keep My Love Alive

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I've been married, and married, and often I've sighed  
"I'm never a bridesmaid, I'm always a bride"

I never divorced them, I hadn't the heart  
Yet remember these sweet words, "'till death do us part"

I married many men, a ton of them  
Because I was untrue to none of them  
Because I bumped off every one of them  
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Sir Paul was frail, he looked a wreck to me  
At night he was a horse's neck to me  
So I performed an appendectomy  
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Sir Thomas had insomnia, he couldn't sleep at night  
I bought a little arsenic, he's sleeping now all right

Sir Philip played the harp, I cussed the thing  
I crowned him with his harp to bust the thing  
And now he plays where harps are just the thing  
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I thought Sir George had possibilities  
But his flirtations made me ill at ease  
And when I'm ill at ease, I kill at ease  
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Sir Charles came from a sanitorium  
And yelled for drinks in my emporium  
I mixed one drink, he's in memorium  
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Sir Francis was a singing bird, a nightingale, that's why  
I tossed him off my balcony, to see if he, could fly

Sir Atherton indulged in fratricide,  
He killed his dad and that was patricide  
One night I stabbed him by my mattress-side  
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