



WE'VE LIVED TOGETHER
Time may steal the roses, darling.

lived together.
My song is concerning the great agitation
The Liberals say this way, the Tories say that way,
No wonder between them that Erin may fall,
So I'm going to give you a sensible reason
Why we should be friends in spite of them all

Time May Steal The Roses

By Kathryn Davidson

Time may steal the roses, darling.

Time may steal the roses, darling,
From thy cheeks so fair and bright,
And thy eyes, 'neath golden lashes,
Lose the radiance of their light.
Beauty cannot last for ever,
Brightest hours from us must flee,
Still you will be ever, darling,
More than all the world to me.

CHORUS.

Time may steal away the roses,
From us darling, one by one,
But the flower of love shall cheer us,
Till our journey here is done.

Time may steal the roses, darling,
From the garden of the heart,
And the beauty of their presence
Ever more from us depart;
Shadows dark may fall around us,
Whirling over life's sad sea,
But whatever may betide us,
Fond and constant I will be.

Time may steal the roses, darling,
From our pathway down life's slope,
Leaving nought to bless and cheer us,
But the little flower of hope;
Yet, my love, in joy or sorrow,
If you'll always trust in me,
You shall know no sad to-morrow,
Happy we will ever be.





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Arranger's notes

I found this song on The Full English digital archive (www.vwml.org) and it existed as a broadsheet, a lyric page, collected by Frank Kidson.

I wrote the melody and arranged the piece as part of The Full English Community Choir day held at Sage Gateshead in 2014. I've left dynamics up to each choir leader as you'll give it your own stamp and flare.

The structure is:

- Chorus
- Chorus
- Verse 1
- Chorus
- Verse 2
- Chorus
- Verse 3
- Chorus
- Chorus

Tenors should sing the third line for the chorus and whilst it's written down the octave please feel free to sing it up the octave or split octave depending on what you like. I hope you enjoy it.

Kathryn Davidson

Kathryn is Folk Strand Leader for Sage Gateshead's Learning and Participation department and holds a degree in Folk and Traditional Music from Newcastle University. Nationally sought-after as a choir leader and vocal tutor, her approach is flexible and tailored to her pupils. As a choir leader she creates bespoke arrangements of folk songs, often from her native Northumberland. Her debut solo album *The Lass will Not Learn* was released in 2012 and she codirects the Folkworks Adult Summer Schools. Kathryn worked on two schools projects for The Full English, and also ran a community choir event at Sage Gateshead drawing on material from The Full English digital archive.

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Chorus - sing twice to begin

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From us darling, one by one
But the flower of love shall cheer us,
Till our journey here is done

Time may steal the roses, darling,
From thy cheeks so fair and bright
And they eyes, 'neath golden lashes,
Lose the radiance of their light.
Beauty cannot last for ever,
Brightest hours from us must flee,
Still you will be ever darling
More than all the world to me

Chorus

Time may steal the roses, darling,
From the garden of the heart
And the beauty of their presence
Ever more from us depart;
Shadows dark may fall around us,
Drifting over life's sad sea,
Still whatever may betide us,
Fond and constant I will be.

Chorus

Time may steal the roses, darling
From the pathway down life's slope,
Leaving naught to bless and cheer us,
But the little flower of hope;
Yet my love, in joy or sorrow,
If you'll always trust in me
You shall know no sad tomorrow,
Happy we will ever be.

Double Chorus to end



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Swung

1
Time may steal a-way the ro - ses, from us dar - ling, one by__ one. But the

2
Time may steal a-way the ro - ses, from us dar - ling, one by__ one. But the

3
Steal a-way the ro - ses, from us dar - ling, one by__ one. But the

6

1. 2.

1
flower of love shall cheer us, 'til our jour - ney here is done. Time may done

2
flower of love shall cheer us, 'til our jour - ney here is done. Time may done.

3
flower of love shall cheer us, 'til our jour - ney here is done. Time may done.

11 Verse

1. Time may steal the ro-ses, dar-ling, from thy cheeks so fair and bright, and thy

2
Ooo..

3
Ooo..

16

1
eyes, 'neath gol-den lash-es, loose the rad - iance of their light. Beau-ty

2

3

20

1
can - not last for - ev - er, bright-est hours from us must_ flee, still you

2

3

24

Chorus

1
will_ be ev - er, dar-ling, more than all the world to me Time may

2
Time may

3

28

1
steal a - way the ro - ses, from us dar - ling, one by ___ one. But the

2
steal a - way the ro - ses, from us dar - ling, one by ___ one. But the

3
Steal a - way the ro - ses, from us dar - ling, one by ___ one. But the

32

1
flower of love shall cheer us, 'til our jour - ney here_ is done.

2
flower of love shall cheer us, 'til our jour - ney here_ is done.

3
flower of love shall cheer us, 'til our jour - ney here is done.