

BRING BACK MY WANDERING BOY

4/4 time, key of A

Carter Family

verse 1:

A / | / A / | / D / | / A / | /
Out in the cold world and far away from home

A / | / A / | / A / | / E / | /
Some mother's boy is wandering a-lone

A / | / A / | / D / | / A / | /
no one to guide him and set his footsteps right

A / | / A / | / E / | / A / | /
Some mother's boy is homeless to-night

chorus:

A / | / A / | / D / | / A / | /
Bring back to me, my wan- dering boy

A / | / A / | / A / | / E / | /
far, far a- way, wher- ever he may be

A / | / A / | / D / | / A / | /
Tell him his mother, with faded cheeks and hair

A / | / A / | / E / | / A / | /
at their old home is waiting him there

Out in the hallway there stands a vacant chair,
yonder's the shoes my darling used to wear.
Empty the cradle, the one that's loved so well,
how I miss him, there's no tongue can tell.

Oh, could I see him and hold him to my breast,
gladly I'd close my eyes and be at rest.
There is no other that's left to give me joy,
bring back my boy, my wandering boy.

<http://bettylou.host22.com/bringbackmyboyintro.mp3> (Carter Family - in G#)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wv3J7IW4T8o> (Chris Stuart & Backcountry - in A)