

## **Emmylou Harris**

### **"To Daddy"**

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(Dolly Parton)

Mama never seemed to miss the finer things of life  
If she did she never did say so to daddy  
She never wanted to be more than a mother and a wife  
If she did she never did say so to daddy  
The only thing that seemed to be important to her life  
Was to make our house a home and make us happy  
Mama never wanted any more than what she had  
If she did she never did say so to daddy

He often left her all alone but she didn't mind the  
staying home  
If she did she never did say so to daddy  
And she never missed the flowers and the cards he  
never sent her  
If she did she never did say so to daddy  
Being took for granted was a thing that she accepted  
And she didn't need those things to make her happy  
And she didn't seem to notice that he didn't kiss and  
hold her

If she did she never did say so to daddy

One morning we awoke just to find a note  
That mama carefully wrote and left to daddy  
And as we began to read it  
Our ears could not believe it  
The words that she had written there to daddy

She said the kids are older now they don't need me  
very much  
And I've gone in search of love I need so badly  
I have needed you so long but I just can't keep holding  
on  
She never meant to come back home  
If she did she never did say so to daddy  
Goodbye to daddy

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