

## **Ferlin Husky "Mother Watch"**

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Oh what a wonderful happy day up there on the golden  
strand  
When I can hear Jesus my Saviour say shake hands with  
mother again  
She never closed her eyes at night till we were all in  
bed  
On partly nights till we came home she often sat and  
read  
We little thought about it then when we were young and  
gay  
How much mama worried when we children were away  
We only knew she never slept when we were out at  
night  
And that she waited just to know that we come home all  
right  
Why sometimes we stayed out till one two or three  
And it seemed to us that mama heard the turning of  
the key  
For always when we stepped inside she'd call and we'd  
reply  
But we were all too young back then to understand just  
why  
Until the last one had returned she always kept the  
light  
For mama couldn't sleep until she kissed us all  
goodnight  
She had to know that we were safe before she went to  
rest  
She seemed to fear the world might harm the ones she  
loved the best

And once she said when you have grown to women and  
to men  
Perhaps I'll sleep the whole night through I may be  
different then  
And so it seemed that night or day we knew a mother's  
care  
That always we got back home we'd find her waiting  
there  
Then came the night when we were called together  
around her bed  
The children all are with you now the kindly doctor said

And in her eyes there gleamed again the old time  
tender light  
That told that she had been waiting just to know we  
were all right  
She smiled the old familiar smile then prayed to God to  
keep  
A safe from harm throughout the years and then she  
went to sleep  
Shake hands with mother again

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