

## Shirley Caesar

### "I Remember Mama"

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I remember mama,  
And the love that she gave  
Kneeling by her bed side  
I can still hear mama say,

"the people are depending on you, shirley,  
Don't you let them down"

I remember mama in a happy way  
We went to school with holes in our shoes  
We didn't have much but the lord saw us through  
Mama kept the family together  
I remember mama in a happy way  
She packed our lunch in an old greasy bag  
It might've seemed empty,  
But it was more than others had  
It had a lot of love way down deep inside and  
I remember mama in a happy way  
Now mama is sleeping in the bosom of jesus christ  
Somehow I know she's smiling, she's smiling on us  
right now  
One day I'll see her again, how happy I will be  
And I remember mama in a happy way  
My brothers and sisters, they're living far apart  
Although my mama's gone, she's right here in our  
hearts  
We're all gonna pull together and stay in the holy place  
I remember mama in a happy way  
I remember mama, I remember mama in a happy way

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