

## Tracy Lawrence

### "The Book You Never Read"

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You were lost and needed help  
I hoped that you would turn to me  
And when you couldn't save yourself  
I watched you drown your misery

I see the damage that you've done  
Every tear drop and misstep  
You know I could have saved you, son  
I'm the book you never read

Your granddaddy carried me in World War II  
Your grandma swears that I'm the truth  
Your parents hands were on me when they wed  
I'm like a member of the family  
Three generations, you've handed me down  
I'm in the drawer by your bed  
I'm the book you never read

I can't take that first step for you  
When you take that step, you'll find  
You are the key, and I'm the door to  
Forgiveness and some peace of mind

You know, Granddaddy carried me in World War II  
Your grandma swears that I'm the truth  
Your parents hands were on me when they wed  
I'm like a member of the family  
Three generations, you've handed me down  
And despite all they've said,  
I'm still the book you never read

When the world treats you unkindly  
And your heart's heavy with regret  
That's when I wish you would find me  
I'm the book you never read

Your granddaddy carried me in World War II  
Your grandma swears that I'm the truth  
Your parents hands were on me when they wed  
I'm like a member of the family  
Three generations, you've handed me down

I'm in the drawer by your bed  
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