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That's The Way I've Always Heard It Should Be

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Slowly

Bm/D



Gmaj7



Bm/D



p

Gmaj7



With pedal

Bm/D



Gmaj7



L.H.

1. My fa - ther sits at night with no lights on,
2.3. (See additional lyrics)

Bm/D



Gmaj7



Dm9



his cig - a - rette glows in the dark;

the liv - ing room is still;

C(add9)



Am/G



A^b



G



I walk by — no re - mark. —

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Bm/D

Gmaj7

Bm/D

I tip - toe past the mas - ter bed - room where _ my moth - er reads her _ mag - a -

Gmaj7

Dm9

C(add9)

zines; I hear her call _ "sweet dreams" but I for - get how to

Am/G

A^b

G

dream. _____

Fmaj7

F6

Fmaj7

Em7

Dm7

But you say it's time _ we moved in to - geth - er, and raised a fam - 'ly of our own _

Cmaj7 Fmaj7 F6 Fmaj7

— you and me. — Well, that's the way — I've al - ways

Em7 A 1.2. D

heard it should be. — You want to mar - ry me, — we'll mar - ry.

poco rit.

3. D D(add9)

mar - ry. —

Additional Lyrics

- 2. My friends from college, they're all married now; they have their houses and their lawns.
They have their silent noons, tearful nights, angry dawns.
Their children hate them for the things they're not; they hate themselves for what they are;
And yet they drink, they laugh, close the wounds, hide the scar.
To Chorus:
- 3. You say that we can keep our love alive. Babe, all I know is what I see.
The couples cling and claw and drown In love's debris.
You say we'll soar like two birds thru the clouds, but you'll cage me on your shelf.
I'll never learn to be Just me first, by myself.
To Chorus:

