



# Forget Me Not

S. W. Straub  
(1842-1899)

Tenderly

S

A

T

B

“For - get me not,” how sad - ly sweet It falls up - on the ear; \_\_\_\_\_ It tells the

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S part - ing hour has come And asks af - fec - tion's tear.

A part - ing hour has come And asks af - fec - tion's tear. O who would

T part - ing hour has come And asks af - fec - tion's tear. O who would

B part - ing hour has come And asks af - fec - tion's tear. O who would

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S — — — — And know that

A bid a - dieu to friends A - gain they ne'er may see, And know that

T bid a - dieu to friends A - gain they ne'er may see, And know that

B bid a - dieu to friends A - gain they ne'er may see, And know that

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S thro' the lone - ly years They must for - got - ten be?

A thro' the lone - ly years They must for - got - ten be?

T thro' the lone - ly years They must for - got - ten be?

B thro' the lone - ly years They must for - got - ten be?

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## CHORUS

The musical score for the Chorus section consists of four staves, each representing a vocal part: Soprano (S), Alto (A), Tenor (T), and Bass (B). The key signature is A major (no sharps or flats). The time signature is common time (indicated by 'C'). The vocal parts sing the same melody, which includes lyrics such as 'For - get me not, How sweet, how sad - ly sweet. 'Tis ours, the'. The music features dynamic markings like *p* (piano), *pp* (pianissimo), and *rit.* (ritardando). The bass staff includes a 'rit.' instruction at the end of the first line of the melody.

This section continues the musical score for the Chorus. It starts at measure 21 and includes four staves (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) singing the lyrics 'fond and ten - der prayer, Till we in heav'n shall meet.'. The music maintains the same key signature (A major) and time signature (common time).

## VERSE 2

The musical score for Verse 2 begins at measure 25 and consists of four staves (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass). The lyrics for this section are '“For - get me not, tho' for - tune frown And kind - ly friends should fail, O ten - der -’. The music remains in A major and common time, with the bass staff providing harmonic support.

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S      ly, oft think of me With - in the low - ly vale,"  
A      ly, oft think of me With - in the low - ly vale," Be this the  
T      ly, oft think of me With - in the low - ly vale," Be this the  
B      ly, oft think of me With - in the low - ly vale," Be this the

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S      The heart that  
A      prayer that I may heed, Tho' bit - ter scorn de - ride; The heart that  
T      prayer that I may heed, Tho' bit - ter scorn de - ride; The heart that  
B      prayer that I may heed, Tho' bit - ter scorn de - ride; The heart that

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S      breathes of want and woe May nev - er be de - nied.  
A      breathes of want and woe May nev - er be de - nied.  
T      breathes of want and woe May nev - er be de - nied.  
B      breathes of want and woe May nev - er be de - nied.

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## VERSE 3

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S For - get - me - not, a beau-teous flow'r, It grows up - on the grave; Its form the

A For - get - me - not, a beau-teous flow'r, It grows up - on the grave; Its form the

T For - get - me - not, a beau-teous flow'r, It grows up - on the grave; Its form the

B For - get - me - not, a beau-teous flow'r, It grows up - on the grave; Its form the

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S gen - tle winds ca - ress And pearl - y dew - drops lave.

A gen - tle winds ca - ress And pearl - y dew - drops lave. The part - ing

T gen - tle winds ca - ress And pearl - y dew - drops lave. The part - ing

B gen - tle winds ca - ress And pearl - y dew - drops lave. The part - ing

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S Still come to

A words of loved ones dear, Be - yond the si - lent tomb, Still come to

T words of loved ones dear, Be - yond the si - lent tomb, Still come to

B words of loved ones dear, Be - yond the si - lent tomb, Still come to

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S us in in - cense rare, In love - ly fra - grant bloom.

A us in in - cense rare, In love - ly fra - grant bloom.

T us in in - cense rare, In love - ly fra - grant bloom.

B us in in - cense rare, In love - ly fra - grant bloom.

## VERSE 4

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S For - get me not, in mem - 'ry sweet Falls gen - tly on the ear; A good - ly

A For - get me not, in mem - 'ry sweet Falls gen - tly on the ear; A good - ly

T For - get me not, in mem - 'ry sweet Falls gen - tly on the ear; A good - ly

B For - get me not, in mem - 'ry sweet Falls gen - tly on the ear; A good - ly

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S prom - ise we re - new And seal it with a tear.

A prom - ise we re - new And seal it with a tear. this last fond

T prom - ise we re - new And seal it with a tear. this last fond

B prom - ise we re - new And seal it with a tear. this last fond

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Soprano (S): prayer of part-ing friends Un - ut - ter'd or ex - pressed, Will ev - er

Alto (A): prayer of part-ing friends Un - ut - ter'd or ex - pressed, Will ev - er

Tenor (T): prayer of part-ing friends Un - ut - ter'd or ex - pressed, Will ev - er

Bass (B): prayer of part-ing friends Un - ut - ter'd or ex - pressed, Will ev - er

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Soprano (S): find an ech - o sweet With - in a lov - - ing breast.

Alto (A): find an ech - o sweet With - in a lov - - ing breast.

Tenor (T): find an ech - o sweet With - in a lov - - ing breast.

Bass (B): find an ech - o sweet With - in a lov - - ing breast.

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**Solomon W. Straub** (1842-1899) was born in De Kalb County, Indiana, residing much of his career in Woodlawn Park, a Chicago suburb. He made music his life's work; he was active in music education and conducted musical conventions throughout the central Midwest. He authored many singing school books, Sunday School music books, choir and anthem books, and sheet music. He founded "Song Friend," a musical periodical, and owned and operated a music publishing company in Chicago. His sister Maria Straub, who was a poet and wrote many hymn texts, wrote many secular texts used in his songs. Both were active in the temperance movement and wrote works for the movement's use. He died in Chicago, Illinois.

"Forget me not," how sadly sweet  
It falls upon the ear;  
It tells the parting hour has come  
And asks affection's tear.  
O who would bid adieu to friends  
Again they ne'er may see,  
And know that through the lonely years  
They must forgotten be?

*Forget me not,  
How sweet, how sadly sweet.  
'Tis ours, the fond and tender prayer,  
Till we in heaven shall meet.*

"Forget me not, though fortune frown  
And kindly friends should fail,  
O tenderly, oft think of me  
Within the lowly vale."  
Be this the prayer that I may heed,  
Though bitter scorn deride;  
The heart that breathes of want and woe  
May never be denied.

Forget-me-not, a beauteous flower,  
It grows upon the grave;  
Its form the gentle winds caress  
And pearly dewdrops lave.  
The parting words of loved ones dear,  
Beyond the silent tomb,  
Still come to us in incense rare,  
In lovely fragrant bloom.

Forget me not, in memory sweet  
Falls gently on the ear;  
A goodly promise we renew  
And seal it with a tear.  
this last fond prayer of parting friends  
Unuttered or expressed,  
Will ever find an echo sweet  
Within a loving breast.

Maria Straub (1839-1897)

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