

Dad's Song

To: Dad

From: Eric, Elise, Gretchen & Mom

Merry Christmas, Dad! We love you!

Dad, we still remember those December nights. When we got our first yard art, and made the world so bright. We remember picking out our christmas tree. and once you got it in that stand, how it stood perfectly. You kept us safe, even when the weather got wild. Those Louisville highways, on sheets of ice sliding for miles. We'd watch that bungee'd TV as you'd watch the road ahead. Somehow you always knew how to keep us warm and fed. Now the tree shines a little brighter, With new faces side by side. Negin, Sean, Samantha laughing underneath the lights. And though Gramere and Uncle Don aren't here to hold— We still feel them in your stories told. Every day with you is like Christmas. We never went without. You worked so hard to give us the world. Even when times were tough. All the years and all the laughter. Every gift wrapped up in love. Every day with you is like Christmas. Dad, we love you so much. Now there's a grandkid on the way, a brand-new gift to share. The Heil family's growing, more love everywhere. Early Christmas mornings, you'd always set the tone. Dad your heart's the place we'll always call home. All those little moments, one big gift for Mom. You made every wish come true, and helped us when things went wrong. Now we're grown and on our own, your love still lights the way. With you here, Dad, it's Christmas every day. You read us The night before Christmas, next to our perfect tree. The stories and the laughter, The traditions and memories. Family wrapped around you, just like you always planned— Still your kids, still holding your hand. Every day with you is like Christmas. We never went without. You worked so hard to give us the world. Even when times were tough. All the years and all the laughter. Every gift wrapped up in love. Every day with you is like Christmas. Dad, we love you so much. And when the stars shine bright above December's silent night. We thank our lucky hearts you're here, Dad, our guiding light. Every day with you is like Christmas. We never went without. You worked so hard to give us the world. Even when times were tough. All the years and all the laughter. Every gift wrapped up in love. Every day with you is like Christmas. Dad, we love you so much. Every day with you is like Christmas. Dad, we love you so much.

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