

**BYE MOMMY**

Lunch pails swinging  
pigtails flying,  
gurgled giggling  
running, chasing  
panting,  
gasping slowing,  
stopping  
homeward looking  
Bye Mommy!

Engines revving  
Ball gowns rustling  
tux escorting  
car doors slamming  
headlights beaming  
backing, turning  
homeward looking  
Bye Mommy!

Babies crying  
families leaving  
footsteps crunching  
luggage stowing  
kissing, hugging  
firm hand grasping  
homeward looking  
Bye Mommy!

Long lines streaming  
slowly winding  
gray hill climbing  
shrill wind knelling  
each heart chilling  
casket lowering  
homeward going  
Bye Mommy!