

AN ODE TO MY FATHER

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You are the One, the one Divine
The Universe gave to me
You nurtured me from every core
As deeply as can be

You were the one, the one who brought
Those *candies* from the “plane”
So that the pain of you being gone
Was made up yet again

You were the one, who thought I should
Open my heart and Sing
You made sure I was trained to know
The *swar* of every string

You helped me build my confidence
With audience for my “voice”
From tender age of four and five
Helped me sing and rejoice

You never let a tear drop
Made sure I never cried
A little princess I was like
Protected by your side

You knew! You knew the big bad world
Was waiting there for me
You tried, you tried your very best
To shield eternally

So much you gave – So much you give!
In every circumstance
I wish I could express my love
If I could get a chance

A chance to fathom from my Being
What could make you fulfilled
Journey in your Divinity
And help your soul rebuild

Rebuild the link of bliss with bliss
Of “yonder” with the earth
And close this most bewildering “gap”
And find the journey’s worth

My Hero, My idol you were
Forever you will be
For it is you, who built in me
The strength to love and “be”

I thank you from my Being within
On this so special day
Papa, I love you very much
Much more than I can say...