

# Help Me Remember

## Hayes Carll

Drop D Tuning (optional)

Intro - D

D G  
The leaves on that ancient old oak tree are starting to turn  
A7 D  
And the same shades as the flames of this fire - that I'm watching burn  
G  
There's an unfinished crossword resting - on the arm of this chair  
A7 D  
And for the life of me I can't recall if I'm the one who left it there

G  
It feels so familiar as I watch you - walk in the room  
A7 D  
And at first I don't recognize you but then I damn sure recognize that perfume  
G  
And you kneel down beside me and gently take hold of my hand  
A7 D  
I say "Baby I'm scared and I'm not sure - I know who I am"

G D  
Can you help me remember - who it is that I used to be?  
G D  
Can you tell me the story of my family - my hopes and my dreams?  
G  
Did I try to stand for somethin' - would I always fold?  
G  
Did I do things when I was young - to be proud of when I was old?  
Bm A G  
Was our house on fire - or was I just a slow-burning ember  
D A7 D  
Could you please - help me remember?

D

This ring on my finger is golden - faded and worn

A7D

Like it was forged in the fires of love - and is weathered the storms

G

I tried to make sense of these old photographs - on the wall

A7D

But they're just faces and places that I - don't know at all

GD

Can you help me remember - feel like I'm losing my mind?

GD

I know there's a story - it's getting harder to find

G

Did I protect my children - stand up for my friends?

D

How much damage did I do? Did I ever make amends?

G

Did I try to make a difference - did I give a damn?

DA

Was I a believer - in God and his plan?

BmAG

Did I light up your life - like a full moonlit night in December?

DABmG

Could you please - help me remember?

DADG-Bm...G-Bm...G-D-A-D

I need you - to help me remember?