

I Haven't Seen Mary in Years - Bill & James Monroe

Bluegrass Classic, ¾ Time, Key of **F** My Key: ____

While **1** walking, one day in the country
I **4** saw, a gathering **1** crowd
And **4** as my footsteps drew-me **1** closer
I could **1** smell, the sweet fragrance of **5** flowers
It **1** looked like, a family reunion
Had my **4** eyes, not counted the **1** tears
And an **4** old, man sat by the **1** graveside
I **1** haven't seen **5** Mary, in **1** years

CHORUS: **4** Hold, on my hand and **1** lead me
4 Lead, me away, from **1** here
I **4** just brought these flowers for **1** Mary
And I **1** haven't seen **5** Mary, in **1** years

INSTRUMENTAL: **1** , **5** , **1** , **1** , **1**

When **1** Mar,y and I were first married
We **4** had, such plans for our **1** child
But for **4** no, reason I started **1** rambling
Like the **1** four, winds I just ran **5** wild
If **1** I, could live my life over, I'd **4** bring, Mary such **1** cheer
Now she **4** gone, where she'll never **1** need me
I **1** haven't seen **5** Mary, in **1** years

CHORUS / INSTRUMENTAL

1 Then the old man left the graveyard
I **4** walked, along by his **1** side
I **4** called out his name, but **1** through all his shame
His **1** son, he did **5** not recog- **1** nize
4 Hold, on my hand and **1** lead me
4 Lead, me away from **1** here
4 How could I know, it was **1** Mama
I **1** haven't seen **5** Mama, in **1** years

1 = F
4 = B ^b
5 = C