

The Old Elm Tree

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A Patriotic Ballad

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Allegretto

The musical score is written for piano in 6/8 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of four systems of music. The first system begins with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic. The melody in the right hand features dotted half notes and eighth notes, while the left hand provides a harmonic accompaniment of chords and single notes. The second system continues this pattern. The third system, starting at measure 10, includes a *dim.* (diminuendo) marking. The fourth system, starting at measure 15, features a *p* (piano) dynamic and a trill (*tr*) in the right hand. A dashed line labeled *8va* indicates an octave transposition for the final melodic phrase.

20 (8^{va})

25

G **G** **D7**

1. Un - der the shade of this old elm tree, We'll laugh and play right
 2. Un - der the shade of this old elm tree We'll sing our na - tive
 3. Un - der the shade of this old elm tree Our sons shall wres - tle

mp

28

G **D** **G** **G**

mer - ri - ly; In ___ days ___ of yore ___ be - neath its shade, Our
 mel - o - dy; Be - neath ___ its gi - ant arms once stood Our
 man - ful - ly; And our daugh - ters dance, ___ and sing, and play, For,

31 A A7 D G

sires their in - fant gam - bols played. Un - der the shade of this
land's first Chief, the brave and good, Un - der the shade of this
who so gay, — so proud as — they? Un - der the shade of this

34 G D7 G D

old elm tree, We'll laugh and play right mer - ri - ly, In —
old elm tree We'll sing our na - tive mel - o - dy; Be -
old elm tree Our sons shall wres - tle man - ful - ly; And our

37 G G A

days — of yore — be - neath its shade Our sires their in - fant
neath — its gi - ant arms once stood Our land's first Chief, the
daugh - ters dance, — and sing, and play, For, who so gay, — so

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D B Em B Em B Em B

gam - bols played, They laughed and sung, and so do we,
brave and good, He spoke of vic - t'ry to the free,
proud as they? They are the chil - dren of the free, And

40

f

43

G D7(omit 5) D7(omit 5) G Em

Un - der the shade of this old elm tree, They laughed and sung and
Un - der the shade of this old elm tree. He spoke of vic - t'ry
hon - or the shade of the old elm tree. They are the chil - dren

43

p

46

Em G/D D7 D7 G

so do we, Un - der the shade of this old elm tree.
to the free, Un - der the shade of this old elm tree.
of the free, And hon - or the shade of the old elm tree.

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49 D7 G D7 G

Ho! ho, ho, ho, Ha! ha, ha, Un - der the shade of this old elm tree.

53 D7 G D7 G

Ho! ho, ho, ho, Ha! ha, ha, Un - der the shade of this old elm tree.

(8va) *tr* loco

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f *p* *tr*

62 (8va) loco D.S.

f *tr*