

Dads Don't Die

16 count, 4 wall, absolute beginner level
Choreographer: Ivonne Verhagen, November 2025
Choreographed to: "Dads Don't Die" by Nate Smith

Intro: 52 Counts, start at approx. 40 secs on the word DIE

Section 1 Sway Right-Left, Basic Night Club Right, Sway Left-Right, Side, Behind-1/8 Left

1 2 Sway right side, Sway left side
3 4& Step RF side, close LF to RF, cross RF over LF
5 6 Sway left side, Sway right side
7 8& Step LF side, cross RF behind LF, 1/8 turn left & step LF side (10:30)

Section 2 Diagonal Walk Fwd R+L, Mambo Step, Diagonal Walk Back L+R w. Sweep, Coaster Cross, 1/8 Left

1 2 Step RF forward, Step LF forward
3&4 Rock RF forward, recover on LF, step RF back
5 6 Step LF back (sweep RF to the back), Step RF back (Sweep LF to the back)
7&8& Step LF back, close RF to LF, Step LF forward, Turn 1/8 left to start new wall (9:00)

Tribute from Ivonne to her father:

I created this dance especially for my father, who passed away recently. It is my heartfelt tribute to him.

He was my best friend, my hero, and the greatest example I could ever wish for.

Right now, I still don't know how to carry this loss or where to place the emptiness he left behind. But this song, and this dance, are my way of holding him close, of honouring the man who shaped my life with his love. Dad... I love you and will never forget you. This one is for you

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