

Dads Don't Die

Count: 16

Wall: 4

Level: Absolute Beginner

Choreographer: Ivonne Verhagen (NL) - November 2025

Music: Dads Don't Die - Nate Smith

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

Intro: 52 Counts, Start at approx 40 secs (on the word DIE)

SEC 1 SWAY RIGHT, SWAY LEFT, BASIC NIGHT CLUB RIGHT, SWAY LEFT, SWAY RIGHT, SIDE, CROSS BEHIND, 1/8 TURN LEFT & STEP

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)

SEC 2 DIAGONAL WALKS FORWARD, MAMBO, DIAGONAL WALKS BACK (SWEEP), COASTER CROSS, 1/8 TURN 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)

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