

Mele of My Tūtū E

Lyrics & Music by Danny Ku

Vamp: G7 C7 F

Tempo: 125/130

| : F
Ho`okahi Sunday afternoon

alone

C7 F F7
There goes my tūtū ē

grandma

Bb Bbm F D7
She was trucking on down to town

G7 C7 F VAMP : |
On the *ala nui kapakahi* way

big crooked road

F
She was singing an old melody

C7 F F7
Of "Anapau," "E Lili`u E"

Bb Bbm F D7
Tūtū will show you how to do

G7 C7 F
That *hula ami`oni`oni* ē

grandma

gyrating hula step

F
Tūtū *inu i ka`awa* ē

C7 F F7
That's the drink of the south sea islands ē

grandma drinks kava

Bb Bbm F D7
Ua `ona e tūtū ē

G7 C7 F VAMP
~~And~~ now she's doing the *hula rum boogie* ē

grandma gets tipsy

| : F
Tūtū is going home now

C7 F F7
To her *hale* by the *kapakahi* way

grandma

Bb Bbm F D7
Ha`ina`ia mai kapuana

home / crooked

G7 C7 F VAMP : |
That's the *mele* of my tūtū ē

so the story ends

Tag "That the mele . . ." & end

song / grandma

End: G7 C7 F
Tūtū, tūtū ē Slide f3 f4 f5

grandma

A-3-2-3-3-3-0-----1-0-0-----0-3-----3-1-0-0-0-0-----0--
E-----1-----3-3-1-----1-1-3-1-----3-1-3-1-1-
C-----2-0-----2-0-2-----
G-----

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