

SA and Piano

SUGARBIRD LADY

Robin Miller (1940-1975), aviator and nurse, was a Western Australian pioneer. Her nickname amongst the indigenous community was 'Sugarbird Lady'; she flew, often solo, all over outback Western Australia administering more than 30,000 doses of the polio vaccine, sabin, by putting it on sugar cubes for her patients to take orally. She also worked for the Royal Flying Doctor Service, saving lives and attending to the sick, transporting people to hospitals in WA from remote locations. Robin flew across the world delivering small planes to Western Australia for the use of the RFDS. She died aged 35 of cancer, a courageous woman still working for the good of the community to the very end.

J=75

Music and Lyrics by Mark Puddy

8 *mf*

SOLO:

Su-gar-bird La-dy looks down from the sky,
Su-gar-bird La-dy, a

G⁶ G C C/E F(add2) G(sus4) G C C/E

15

spi - rit from on high, The re - mo - test part of Aus -

Fmaj7 G(sus4) G Am G/B C

19

tra - lia's heart was touched by her, the Su - gar -

F⁵ G Am Bb(add2) F F(add2) G G⁶ G

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bird.

mf

25 End solo

mf

12

Sing of the wo - man of the la - dy who flew; chas - ing ho - ri - zons where

mf

12

Sing of the wo - man of the la - dy who flew; chas - ing ho - ri - zons where

F5(add2) C/E F5(add2)

mf

12

12

28 Jump to bar 72

brown fades to blue. showed us the way so let's sing of Rob - in

Jump to bar 72

so let's sing of Rob - in

Am⁷(omits) G(sus4) G Jump to bar 72 C/E D/F# F G/F

74 Optional solo till end:

Mil - ler, Su - gar - bird. A - bove the

mf

Mil - ler, Su - gar Sing of the wo - man of the la - dy who flew;

F/G G F/G G F5(add2) C/E

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77

land!
A-cross the land!

Sops join Altos:

chas-ing ho-ri-zons where brown fades to blue. Sing of the su-gar-bird, of the

F5(add2) Am7(omit5) G(sus4) G F5(add2)

80

A vast e-ter-ni-ty. sing of this le-gend who braved west-ern skies!

lows and the highs; sing of this le-gend who braved west-ern skies!

C/E F5(add2) Am7(omit5) G(sus4) G

83

Down from on

Su-gar bird la-dy, looks down from on

C⁵ C/E Am G

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85

high! Down from on
high; Su - gar bird la - dy, looks down from on
C⁵ C/E Am G

87

high! Soars through the
high! Su - gar bird la - dy, still soars through the
C⁵ C/E F(add2) G⁶ G

89

sky!

N.C.