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[C]Once a [G7]lonely caterpillar sat and cried
To a [C]sympathetic beetle by his side
"I've got no[G7]body to hug
I'm such an [C]ugly bug"

Then a [G7]spider and a dragon fly replied
"If you're [C]serious and want to win a [Am]bride
[Ab]Come along with us [C]to the glorious
[G7]Annual Ugly Bug [C]Ball"
[C]Come on let's [F]crawl, gotta crawl, gotta crawl
To the Ugly Bug [C]Ball, to the ball, to the ball
And a happy time we'll [F]have there
[G]One and [C]all at the [F]Ugly Bug [C]Ball
[C]While the [G7]crickets clicked their tricky melodies
All the [C]ants were fancy dancing with the fleas
Then up from [G7]under the ground
The worms came [C]squirming around

Oh they [G7]danced until their legs were nearly lame
Every little [C]crawling creature you could [Am]name
[Ab]Everyone was glad [C]what a time they had
[G7]They were so happy they [C]came

Chorus

Then our [G7]caterpillar saw a pretty queen
She was [C]beautiful in yellow, black and green
He said, "Would [G7]you care to dance?"
Their dancing [C]led to romance

Then she [G7]sat upon his caterpillar knees
And he [C]gave his caterpillar queen a [Am]squeeze
[Ab]Soon they'll honeymoon [C]build a big cocoon
[G7]Thanks to the Ugly Bug [C]Ball

Chorus