



White Sandy Beach of Hawai'i

Written By: Duc Huy (aka Willie Dann)

C **F** **Fm** **C**
 I saw you in my dream, we were walking hand in hand, on a white, sandy beach of Hawai'i
F **Fm** **C**
 We were playing in the sun, we were having so much fun, on a white, sandy beach of Hawai'i

G7 **F** **G7** **F** **G7**
 Sound of the ocean soothes my restless soul, sound of the ocean rocks me all night long
C **F** **Fm** **C**
 Those hot, long summer days, lying there in the sun, on a white, sandy beach of Hawai'i

G7 **F** **G7** **F** **G7**
 Sound of the ocean soothes my restless soul, sound of the ocean rocks me all night long
C **F**
 Last night in my dream I saw your face again, we were there in the sun...
Fm **C** **F** **Fm** **C**
 On a white, sandy beach of Hawai'i...on a white, sandy beach of Hawai'i

About the Composer:

The man who wrote 'White Sandy Beach of Hawai'i' was actually from Vietnam. Willie Dann was a mystery. His song had been a staple of Hawaiian music for many years. But there was nothing on file saying who Willie Dann actually was. He hadn't written any other songs that they could find. There was no address for him, so his royalties were kept on the side for many years in case he should show up.

In 2005, 12 years after the album was released, the record company got a call from a Vietnamese guy, called Duc Huy, claiming he had written the song, and that Willie Dann was a stage name. He'd married in Waikiki and wrote the song after a walk along the beach with his wife. Now in L.A. after breaking up with his wife and looking to start a new life, he decided to see if the song he had written years earlier was worth anything.

He was given a royalty check for \$50,000, and receives royalties in Vietnam every three months – L.A. hadn't worked out.