

## Smoky Mountain Memories

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**G** **Em7**  
You ought to go north somebody told us  
**C** **G**  
Cause the air is filled with gold dust  
**Em7** **C** **G**  
And fortune falls like snow flakes in your hands  
**Em7**  
Now I don't recall who said it  
**C** **Bm**  
But we'd lived so long on credit  
**C** **D** **G**  
And so we headed out to find our promised land

**Em7**  
Just poor Smoky Mountains farm folk  
**C** **G**  
With nothing more than high hopes  
**Em7** **C** **G**  
So we hitched our station wagon to a star  
**Em7**  
But our dreams are failing on us  
**C** **Bm**  
Cause there was no land of promise  
**C** **D** **G**  
Though it's a struggle just keepin' sight of who you are

**Em7** **Bm**  
Oh and these northern nights are dreary  
**C** **Bm**  
And my southern heart is weary  
**C** **Am** **Gmaj7**  
As I wonder how the old folks are back home  
**Em7** **Bm**  
But I know that they all love me  
**C** **Bm7**  
And they're all thinking of me  
**C** **Am7** **G**  
Smoky Mountains memories keep me strong

**Em7**  
You know I've been thinkin' a whole lot lately  
**C** **G**  
About what's been and what awaits me  
**Em7** **C** **G**  
It takes all I've got to give what life demands  
**Em7**  
You go insane if you give in to it

**C** **Bm**  
Life s a mill and I ve been through it  
**C** **D** **G**  
I m just thankful I m creative with my hands

**Em7** **Bm**  
Oh and these northern nights they re dreary  
**C** **Bm**  
And my southern eyes are teary  
**C** **Am** **Gmaj7**  
As I wonder how the old folks are back home  
**Em7** **Bm**  
But I ll keep leanin on my Jesus  
**C** **Bm**  
He ll love and guide and lead us  
**C** **Am7** **G**  
Smoky Mountains memories keep me strong

**Em7** **Bm**  
If I ll keep looking to the father  
**C** **Bm** **C**  
Keep our heads above the water  
**Am7** **D** **G**  
While the Smoky Mountains memories keep me strong