

Poncho And Lefty

Emmylou Harris

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Subject: Pancho & Lefty as done by Emmylou Harris

PANCHO AND LEFTY

(written by Townes Van Zandt)

as done by Emmylou Harris on her album Luxury Liner

C **G**
Living on the road my friend, is gonna keep you free and clean
F
Now you wear your skin like iron,
C **G**
Your breath as hard as kerosene.
F **C** **F**
You weren t your mama s only boy, but her favorite one it seems
C **F** **C** **G**
She began to cry when you said goodbye,
F **Am** **Am G C**
And sank into your dreams.
C **G**
Pancho was a bandit boys, his horse was fast as polished steel
F
He wore his gun outside his pants
C **G**
For all the honest world to feel.
F **C** **F**
Pancho met his match you know on the deserts down in Mexico
C **F C G** **F** **Am Am G F**
Nobody heard his dying words, ah but that s the way it goes.

F **C** **F**
All the Federales say they could have had him any day
C **F C G** **F** **Am**
They only let him slip away out of kindness, I suppose.

Am G C
C **G**
Lefty, he can t sing the blues all night long like he used to.
F **C** **G**
The dust that Pancho bit down south ended up in Lefty s mouth
F **C** **F**

The day they laid poor Pancho low, Lefty split for Ohio

C **F** **C** **G** **F** **Am**

Where he got the bread to go, there ain't nobody knows

Am G F

F **C** **F**

All the Federales say they could have had him any day

C **F** **C** **G** **F** **Am** **Am G C**

They only let him slip away out of kindness, I suppose.

C **G**

Poets tell how Pancho fell, and Lefty's living in a cheap hotel

F

The desert's quiet and Cleveland's cold,

C **G**

And so the story ends we're told

F **C** **F**

Pancho needs your prayers it's true, but save a few for Lefty too

C **F** **C** **G** **F** **Am**

He only did what he had to do, and now he's growing old

Am G F

F **C** **F**

All the Federales say they could have had him any day

C **F** **C** **G** **F** **Am**

They only let him slip away out of kindness, I suppose.

Am G F

F **C** **F**

A few gray Federales say they could have had him any day

C **F** **C** **G** **F** **Am**

They only let him go so long, out of kindness, I suppose.