Mail Order Annie Harry Chapin

My first contribution on here as I noticed this song was missing. It s a beautiful song and straightforward to play albeit I use a capo at Fretl because it suits my voice better. I also find these better chords to use than those Harry Chapin uses as he seems to play it open fret in D (you can achieve this with by putting the capo at Fret 2). The only other change is he changes key for the last verse but that doesn t work for me. Anyhow here it is and I hope it works for you.

PM

Mail Order Annie (Harry Chapin)

Fret 1 or 2 (Chapin plays it in D)

Intro: C Em Am F G G7

C Em An

At first I did not think it could be you

F G G7

But you re the only one that got off the train

E E7 Am Am7

So you must be my wife Miss Annie Halsey, yes, yes

F G G7

I must be your husband. Yes, I m Harry Crane

C Em F C

Mail order Annie, never mind your cryin

Em F G G7

Your tears are sweet rain in my empty life

C Em F C

Mail order Annie, can t you see I m tryin

F C

To tell you that I m glad you re here

F G

You who are the woman

F G C

Who s come to be my wife

C Em Am

You know you re not as pretty as I dreamed you d be

F G G7

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But then I m not no handsome fancy Dan
                                 Am
                                                Am7
And out here looks are really not important, no, no
It s what s inside a woman when she s up against the land
          Em
Mail order Annie, never mind your cryin
                                          G7
Your tears are sweet rain in my empty life
          Em
                 F
Mail order Annie, can t you see I m tryin
To tell you that I m glad you re here
               G
You who are the woman
             G C
                        Em Am
Who s come to be my wife
   Αm
You know it s not no easy life you re entering
                                               A#Maj7
The winter wind comes whistlin through the cracks there in the sod
You know you ll never have too many neighbours
There s you babe, and there s me, and there s God
                    Em
                                     Αm
You know I m just a dirt man from the North Dakota plains
You re one girl from the city who s been thrown out on her own
                                         Am
And I m standing here not sure of what to say to you
Ceptin mail order Annie, let s you and me go home
C
          Em
                 F
Mail order Annie, never mind your cryin
Your tears are sweet rain in my empty life
           Em
Mail order Annie, can t you see I m tryin
To tell you that I m glad you re here
You who are the woman
             G
Who s come to be my wife
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