

Thats Why I Write Songs

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Chords - E A D G B E
Dsus2 - X X X 2 3 X
Dm - X 4 X 2 3 X
Bm7 - 2 2 4 2 3 2
G - 3 2 X X 3 3
A - X X 2 2 3 X

I am sure that this is not completely correct, but it is close enough and since there are no submissions for this song I felt compelled to post SOMETHING since this is an incredible song that deserves to be played. Jamey Johnson holds to the true outlaw traditions of the Highwaymen members during their original careers - definitely worth checking out! P.S. This is my virgin post so be kind!

Fingerpick/arpeggiate throughout song - find you r own pattern n rythm

Dsus2 Dm Bm7 G (x2)
G A Dsus2 (opt. hammer a string w/ the A chord)

Dsus2 Dm
You fell in love and threw it away
Bm G
You re lookin for the perfect thing to say
Dsus2 Bm7
But you re no good with words well that s OK
G A Dsus2
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Dsus2 Dm
Might make you laugh or make you cry
Bm7 G
It might help you make it througha bad good-bye
Dsus2 Bm7
Cuz you been through it...(speaks)but so have I
G A Dsus2
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G A Dsus2
I remember all the times I fell
G A Dsus2
Like somebody knew me all to well
G Bm7

It was my life story I was listening to

G **A**
I don't know about you

Dsus2 **Dm**
But I buried family and a few good friends

Bm7 **G**
Held a brand new baby in my hands

Dsus2 **Bm7**
You see this ain't just what I do.....It's who I am

G **A** **Dsus2**
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(Break)

Dsus2 **Dm** **Bm7** **G** (x2)

G **A** **Dsus2**

G **A** **Dsus2**
I remember how it blew my mind

G **A** **Dsus2**
When I played my song and watched a grown man cry

G **A** **Bm7**
It was at that moment where I just knew

G **A**
What I was born to do

Dsus2 **Dm**
You see most songwriters never get the fame

Bm7 **G**
And most folks don't even recognize their names

Dsus2 **Bm7** **G** **A** (emphasize G&A)
But chances are you've probably sang along

Dsus2 **Dm**
To Harlan Howard or Bob McDill

Bm7 **G**
To Whitey Shaffer..and my friend Whispering Bill

Dsus2 **Bm7**
And all the songs that ever gave us chills.....(pause)

G **A** **Dsus2** (hit and hold to fade)
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