

# PONCHO AND LEFTY

(C) Living on the road my friend (G) Is gonna keep you free and clean  
(F) Now you wear your skin like iron (C) Your breath as hard as (G) kerosene  
(F) Weren't your mama's only boy (F) But her (C) favorite one it (F) seems  
(F) She (Am) began to cry when you (F) said (C) good-(G) bye (G) And (F) sank into your (Am) dreams.

(C) Poncho was a bandit, boys, his (G) Horse was fast as polished steel  
(F) Wore his gun outside his pants (F) For(C) all the honest (G) world to feel  
(F) Poncho met his match you know on the (C) Deserts down in (F) Mexico  
(Am) Nobody heard his (F) dy (C) ing (G) words (G) But (F) that's the way it (Am) goes.

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(Am) They only let him (F) slip (C) a-(G) way  
(G) Out of (F) kindness I sup-(Am) pose.

## BREAK

(C) Lefty he can't sing the blues (G) All night long like he used to do  
(G) The (F) dust that Poncho bit down south (C) Ended up in (G) Lefty's mouth  
(G) The (F) day they laid poor Poncho low (C) Lefty split for (F) Ohio  
(Am) Where he got the (F) bread (C) to (G) go (G) There (F) ain't nobody (Am) knows

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(C) Poets tell how Poncho fell and (G) Lefty's living in a cheap hotel  
(F) Desert's quiet and Cleveland's cold (C) And so the story (G) ends were told  
(F) Poncho needs your prayers it's true but (C) Save a few for (F) Lefty too  
(F) He (Am) only did what he (F) had (C) to (G) do (F) Now he's growing (Am) old.

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