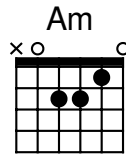


# Pancho and Lefty

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[C] x4

[C] Living' on the road my friend, [G] was gonna keep you free and clean

[F] Now you wear your skin like iron, your [C] breath's as hard as [G] kerosene

[F] You weren't your mamma's only boy, but her [C] favourite one it [F] seems

[Am] Began to cry when you [F] said good-bye [C], [G]

And [F] sank into your [Am] dreams {Riff1} [C]

[C] Pancho was a bandit boys, [G] his horse was fast as polished steel

[F] He wore his gun outside his pants, for [C] all the honest [G] world to feel

[F] Pancho met his match you know, in the [C] desert down in [F] Mexico

And [Am] no one heard his [F] dying [C] words, [G]

But [F] that's the way it [Am] goes {Riff2} [F]

[F] All the Federales say, we [C] could have had him [F] any day

[Am] We only let him [F] slip a-[C] way, [G], out of [F] kindness I sup-[Am] pose

[C] Lefty he can't sing the blues, [G] all night long like he used to

[F] The dust that Pancho bit down south, [C] ended up in [G] Lefty's mouth

[F] The day they laid poor Pancho low, [C] Lefty split for [F] Ohio

[Am] Where he got the [F] bread to [C] go, [G]

There [F] ain't nobody [Am] knows {Riff2} [F]

[F] All the Federales say, we [C] could have had him [F] any day

[Am] We only let him [F] slip a-[C] way, [G], out of [F] kindness I sup-[Am] pose

[C] The poets tell how Pancho fell, [G] Lefty's living in a cheap hotel

[F] The desert's quiet and Cleveland's cold, and [C] so the story [G] ends, we'  
told

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

[Am] He only did what he [F] had to [C] do, [G]

And [F] now he's growing [Am] old {Riff2} [F]

[F] All the Federales say, we [C] could have had him [F] any day  
[Am] We only let him [F] slip a-[C] way, [G], out of [F] kindness I sup-[Am] pose  
[F] A few grey Federales say, [C] could have had him [F] any day  
[Am] We only let him [F] go [C] so [G] long, [G] out of [F] kindness I sup[Am]pose  
{slow} {Riff2} [C]

Riff 1

-- [Am] ----- [F] --- [G] [C]  
A--3-2-3-2- | -3-2-0--- | -0---0-2--3-  
E----- | ----- | -----0-  
C----- | ----- | -----0-  
G----- | ----- | -----0-

Riff 2

-- [Am] ----- [F]  
A--3-2-3-2- | -3-2-0--- | -0---0--- | -0----- | -0  
E----- | -----3- | ---3---3- | ---3-0--- | -1  
C----- | ----- | ----- | -----2- | -0  
G----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | -2