

Goodnight Irene – Leadbelly (1933) (3/4 Waltz time)

Intro : **G C G D7** (1 bar of each)

G / **D7** / **D7** / **G** /
 I.... rene goodnight, I... rene goodnight
G *G7* **C** *Am*
 Goodnight I-rene, Good night I-rene
D7 / **G** /
 I'll see you in my dreams

Chorus

G / **D7** /
 Last Saturday night I got married,
D7 / **G** /
 me and my wife settled down
G *G7* **C** /
 Now me and my wife have parted
D7 / **G** *D7*
 Gonna take another stroll down town

Chorus

G / **D7** /
 Sometimes I live in the country,
D7 / **G** /
 Sometimes I live in the town
G *G7* **C** /
 Sometimes I take a fool notion,
D7 / **G** *D7*
 to jump in the river and drown

Chorus

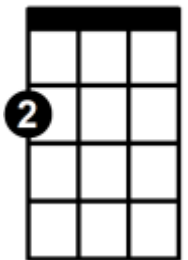
G / **D7** /
 Quit your rambling, quit your gambling,
D7 / **G** /
 Stop staying out late at night
G *G7* **C** /
 Go home to your wife and family
D7 / **G** *D7*
 And stay by the fireside bright

Chorus (x2)

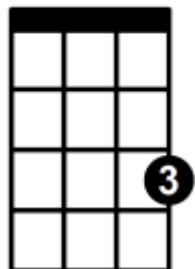
Note: Chord changes in italics (*D7*) are optional

Chords

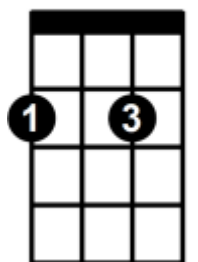
Am



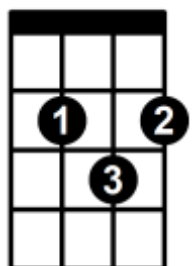
C



D7



G



G7

