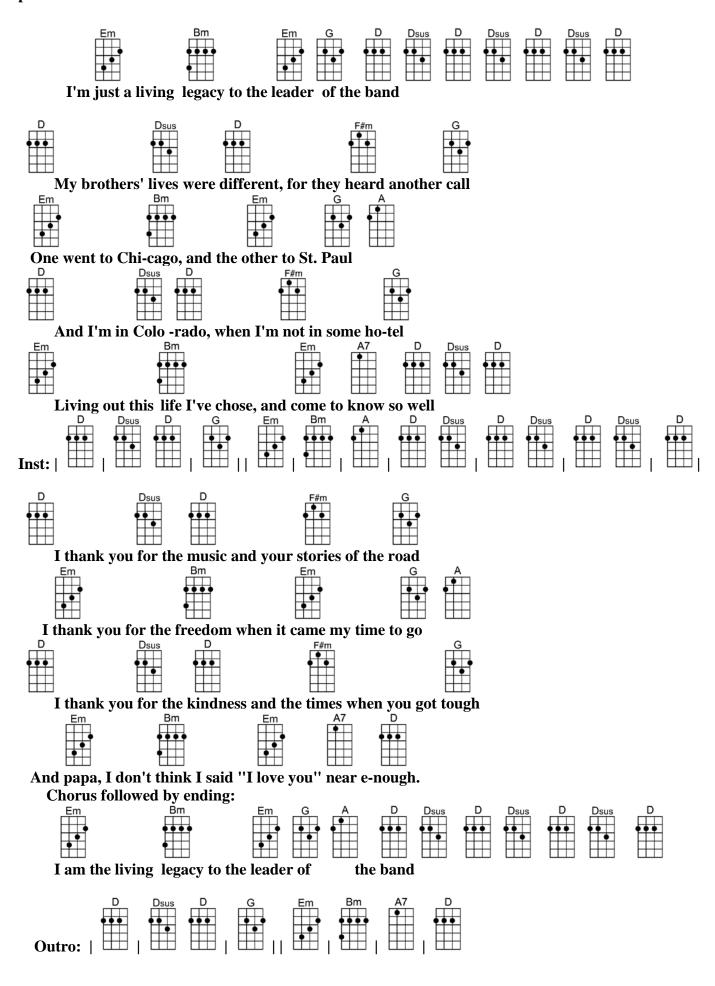


## p.2. Leader of the Band



## Leader of the Band-Dan Fogelberg

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Intro: | D | Dsus D | G | | Em | Bm | A | D Dsus | D Dsus | D Dsus | D | D Dsus F#m An only child, a-lone and wild, a cabinet maker's son Bm A His hands were meant for different work and his heart was known to none. Dsus F#m G He left his home and went his lone and solitary way Bm Em A7 D Dsus D Dsus D Dsus D And he gave to me a gift I know I never can re-pay Dsus D F#m A quiet man of music, de-nied a simpler fate Bm Em He tried to be a soldier once, but his music wouldn't wait F#m Dsus He earned his love through discipline, a thundering velvet hand Bm Em **A7** His gentle means of sculpting souls took me years to under-stand **Chorus:** F#m The leader of the band is tired, and his eyes are growing old Bm But his blood runs through my instrument, and his song is in my soul F#m G My life has been a poor attempt to imitate the man Bm Em G D Dsus D Dsus D Dsus D I'm just a living legacy to the leader of the band D F#m Dsus D My brothers' lives were different, for they heard another call Em Bm One went to Chi-cago, and the other to St. Paul Dsus D F#m And I'm in Colo-rado, when I'm not in some ho-tel Em Living out this life I've chose, and come to know so well Inst: | D | Dsus D | G | | Em | Bm | A | D Dsus | D Dsus | D Dsus | D | Dsus D I thank you for the music and your stories of the road Bm Em I thank you for the freedom when it came my time to go F#m I thank you for the kindness and the times when you got tough Bm Em **A7** And papa, I don't think I said "I love you" near e-nough. Chorus followed by ending:  $\mathbf{G} \mathbf{A}$ Dsus D Dsus D Dsus D Bm Em D I am the living legacy to the leader of the band Outro: | D | Dsus D | G | | Em | Bm | A7 | D