

Pancho and Lefty

D

Livin' on the road, my friend

A

Was gonna keep us free and clean

G

But now you wear your skin like iron

D

A

And your breath's as hard as kerosene

G

You weren't your mama's only boy

D

G

But her favorite one, it seems

Bm

G - D - A

She began to cry when you said good bye

G

Bm

And sank into your dreams

D

Pancho was a bandit, boy

A

Rode a horse fast as polished steel

G

Wore his guns outside his pants

D

A

For all the honest world to feel

G

Pancho met his match, you know

D

G

On the deserts down in Mexico

Bm

G - D - A

No one heard his dy- in' words

G

Bm

But that's the way it goes

[Chorus]

G

And all the federales say

D

G

They could have had him any day

Bm

G - D - A

They only let him slip a- way

G

Bm

- A -

Out of kindness, I suppose

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[Verse 3]

D
Now Lefty he can't sing the blues
A
All night long like he used to
G
The dust that Pancho bit down South
D **A**
It ended up in Lefty's mouth
G
The day they laid old Pancho low
D **G**
Lefty split for Ohio
Bm **G - D - A**
Where he got the bread to go
G **Bm**
Well there ain't nobody knows (chorus)

[Verse 4]

D
Now poets sing how Pancho fell
A
Lefty's livin' in a cheap hotel
G
The desert's quiet and Cleveland's cold
D **A**
So the story ends, we're told
G
Pancho needs your prayers, it's true
D **G**
But save a few for Lefty, too
Bm **G - D - A**
He only did what he had to do
G **Bm**
And now he's growin' old

G
[1st time:] All the federales say
[2nd time] Yes a few old gray federales say
D **G**
They could have had him any day
Bm **G - D - A**
They only let him go so long
G **Bm**
Out of kindness, I suppose (repeat chorus)