

# He fades away

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D G D G

5 **A** D D/C# Bm Bm/A G Em

There's a man in my bed I used to love him And his kis - ses used to take my breath a  
There's a man in my bed he's on a pen sion E - ven though he's on - ly fif - ty years of

9 A D D/C# Bm Bm/A

way There's a man in my bed I hard - ly know him As I  
age The lawyer says we might get com - pen - sa - tion in the

12 G Em G A7 D

wipe his face & hold his hand & watch him as he slow - ly fades a - way.  
course of due pro - ce - dure but he could - n't say for cer - tain at this stage.

15 **B** A Bm

And he fades a - way Not like leaves that fall in Au - tum - turn - ing

18 G A Bm

gold a - gainst the grey He fades a - way Like the

20 G Em G A7

blood stains on the pil - low case that I wash ev - 'ry day He fades a -

22 1. D G D G

way.

2. D **C** A Bm G

way. And he's not the on - ly one who made that trip so man y years a -

A D A Bm G

go, to work the Witte noon mine. So man - y young men old be fore their

D A Bm A Em

time & dy ing slow. They fade a - way. A wheez ing bag of bones with lungshalf

G A

clogged & filled with clay. They fade a - way.

D D/C# Bm Bm/A G Em A7

There's a man in my bed they ne-ver told him The cost of bring-ing home his week ly pay.

D D/C# Bm Bm/A

When the courts\_ de - cide how much they owe him\_ How

G Em G A7 D

will he\_ spend his mon ey\_ when he lies in bed & coughs his life a - way.

A Bm

And he fades a - way Not like leaves\_ that fall in Au - tum\_ turn - ing

G A Bm G Em

gold a - gainst the grey He fades a - way Like the blood stains on the pil - low case\_ that

G A7 D Bm

I wash ev - ry day He fades a - way Not like leaves\_ that fall in Au tum\_ turn - ing

G A7 Bm

gold a - gainst the grey He fades a - way But like the

G Em G A7 D

blood stains on the pil - low case\_ that I wash\_ ev - ry day He fades a - way