

HE FADES AWAY

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Verse

D A B m B m7 G E m A

D A B m B m7 G E m G A D

Chorus

A B m G A B m G E m G A D

Bridge

A F#m B m A D A F#m B m

G A B m F#m E m G A

Verse 1:

D A Bm Bm7
There's a man in my bed I used to love him
G Em A
And his kisses used to take my breath away
D A Bm Bm7
There's a man in my bed I hardly know him
G Em G A D
As I wipe his face and hold his hand and watch him as he slowly fades away.

Chorus:

A Bm
And he fades away Not like leaves that fall in Autumn
G A Bm
Turning gold against the grey He fades away
G Em
Like the bloodstains on the pillowcase
G A D
That I wash everyday He fades away

Verse 2: D A Bm Bm7
 There's a man in my bed he's on a pension
 G Em A
 Even though he's only fifty years of age
 D A Bm Bm7
 The lawyer says we might get compensation
 G Em G A D
 In the course of due procedure but he couldn't say for certain at this stage

Chorus: A Bm
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 G A Bm
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 G Em
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 G A D
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Bridge: A F#m Bm A
 And he's not the only one who made that trip so many years ago
 D A
 To work the Wittenoom Mine
 F#m Bm G A
 So many young men old before their time and dying slow
 Bm F#m Em
 They fade away wheezing bag of bones
 G A
 With lungs half clogged and filled with clay. They fade away.

Verse 3: D A Bm Bm7
 There's a man in my bed they never told him
 G Em A
 The cost of bringing home his weekly pay
 D A Bm Bm7
 When the courts decide how much they owe him
 G Em G A D
 How will he spend his money when he lies in bed and coughs his life away

Chorus: A Bm
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 G A Bm
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 G Em
Like the bloodstains on the pillowcase
 G A D
That I wash everyday He fades away
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