

# **By the Fence in the Sun**

**by Tom Farley**

**Me and Daddy went and put us up a fence  
A hundred yards along the road  
Thinking we could maybe get a few things done  
With someone there to share the load**

## **Chorus 1**

**Dig a hole and cut a log  
Put them in there one by one  
Didn't take no time at all  
Workin' hard and havin' fun  
By the fence in the sun....with my daddy....**

**Out in Floyd they put the rock down on the road  
To help you make it through the snow  
A few days gone I think we're gonna need some more  
Where in the world did it all go**

**Down at Jacksonville they all lay out in rows  
Still together – side by side**

**How they got here no one ever really knows**

**They did their best to love the ride**

### **Chorus 2**

**Raise your head and say a prayer**

**Send it to them one by one**

**Always think of them as there**

**Working hard and having fun**

**By the fence in the sun....**

**G-C-G-C-G-C-D-G (X2) > Chorus 1 > G-C-G-C-G-C-D-G (X2)**

**Dig a hole and cut a log**

**Send it to them one by one**

**It didn't take no time at all**

**Working hard and having fun**

**By the fence in the sun...with my daddy...**

# Leningrad

by Tom Farley

Leaving Moscow on a midnight train

Hard class and warm champagne

Share a cubby hole with Jack and Diane

Get some sleep any way we can

Russians come and Russians go

Six hundred thousand lying in a row

Solemn eyes and open hands

So much about it I don't understand

Chorus

It's in the air how much they care

And it makes me feel so bad

How much they'd give the chance to live

The life they never had....Leningrad

Champagne in bottles instead of beer

Pushkin expressway with Vladimir

Clear and cloudy, blue and gray

Summer and winter in just one day

Pins and watches....hit and run

Strolling on Nevsky just to have some fun

Baltic breezes and a midnight sun

Hotel Karelia when the day is done

Chorus

# **American Tune**

by Paul Simon

Many's the time I've been mistaken  
And many times confused  
Yes, and I've often felt forsaken  
And certainly misused  
Oh, but I'm all right, I'm all right  
I'm just weary to my bones  
Still, you don't expect to be  
Bright and bon vivant  
So far away from home, so far away from home

And I don't know a soul who's not been battered  
I don't have a friend who feels at ease  
I don't know a dream that's not been shattered  
or driven to its knees  
but it's all right, it's all right  
for we lived so well so long  
Still, when I think of the  
road we're traveling on  
I wonder what's gone wrong  
I can't help it, I wonder what's gone wrong

And I dreamed I was dying  
I dreamed that my soul rose unexpectedly  
And looking back down at me  
Smiled reassuringly  
And I dreamed I was flying  
And high up above my eyes could clearly see  
The Statue of Liberty  
Sailing away to sea  
And I dreamed I was flying

We come on the ship they call the Mayflower  
We come on the ship that sailed the moon  
We come in the age's most uncertain hours  
and sing an American tune  
Oh, and it's alright, it's all right, it's all right  
You can't be forever blessed  
Still, tomorrow's going to be another working day  
And I'm trying to get some rest  
That's all I'm trying to get some rest

# Landslide

by Stevie Nicks

I took my love and took it down  
I climbed a mountain and I turned around  
And I saw my reflection in the snow-covered hills  
Till the landslide brought me down

Oh, mirror in the sky, what is love?  
Can the child within my heart rise above?  
Can I sail through the changing ocean tides?  
Can I handle the seasons of my life?

Well, I've been afraid of changing  
'Cause I've built my life around you  
But time makes you bolder  
Even children get older  
And I'm getting older too

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Even children get older  
And I'm getting older too  
Oh, I'm getting older too

I take my love, take it down  
I climb a mountain and turn around  
And if you see my reflection in the snow-covered hills  
Will the landslide bring you down  
And if you see my reflection in the snow-covered hills

**Will the landslide bring you down, oh, oh**  
**The landslide bring you down**

# High School Heart

by Tom Farley

I sit alone on the window sill.

I think you'll be by like you say you will.

It's cold and it's hard....I can feel the beat.

Play the fool....watch the cars cruising down the street

Waiting for you to come around.

Come around.....come around

Verse/Chorus Instrumental

How can I say what I really feel....

When you look at me like I'm unreal.

Maybe it's a waste of time.

I can only pray that you will awake to a better day....

Hoping that you will come around, come around, come around





# *Missing My Old Man*

*(For Dad)*

*By Tom Farley*

*I was working with my partner*

*Just a little sweat and talk to pass the time*

*Just a way to keep our music*

*Our families and our business all in line*

*There was something very special*

*I could feel it when he handed me the tools*

*When his son would ask the questions*

*I realized who told me all these rules*

*Chorus*

*And I don't know who or why*

*Is it he or is it I*

*If I don't look back I'll never understand*

*Head in hand....and missing my old man*

*Someday you'll be thinking*

*Of ways that you've been bought and then been sold  
You'll see that what your telling  
Is mostly due to what you have been told  
And when you search your memory  
And sift through all the shadows you will find  
That the maker is the father....the son is now the maker  
And both of them are really one in kind*

*Chorus*

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Is it he or is it I  
If I don't look back I'll never understand  
Head in hand....and missing my old man  
Missing my old man....*

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# Seventeen Times

by Tom Farley

I get out of bed with a thought in my head,  
That'll carry me all through the day;  
Sometimes it's good, like everyday should,  
And sometimes it's too bad to say.  
When I feel alone, I take my cell phone,  
And push me a number or two;  
I don't really care, I just hate dead air,  
Please answer on one ring or two.

## Chorus

I'm callin' you seventeen times,  
Just to hear your voice on the line,  
Please answer when you hear the chime,  
I'm callin' you seventeen times.

If I'm naked or dressed, if I'm cursed or I'm blessed,  
My cell phone is right by my side.  
I tell all my friends all the places I've been,  
I take 'em along for the ride.

I have tried face to face, but it just can't replace,  
The sound of the beeps and the rings;  
The pictures and songs will last all day long,  
No end to the joy that it brings.

## Chorus

# **I'll Remember**

by Tom Farley

**Mom remembered the smallest things  
All the verses to songs she'd sing  
'Till the time came when everything faded away  
Now I think as her favored son  
Is this a battle that can be won?  
Will I recall doing it after it's done?**

**Will I remember the way we dance?  
Will I remember our first romance?  
Will I remember the dresses you wear?  
And the color of your hair?  
Will I remember the life we made?  
Will I remember the price we paid?  
Will I remember that look in your eye?  
Will I remember my reply?**

**Awkward moments I've never had  
Names and faces that drive me mad  
Just a bit more scary than before  
I'll keep trying to get it right  
Try to get me some sleep at night  
And hold on 'till I can't hold on anymore**

**But I'll remember the way we dance  
I'll remember our first romance  
I'll remember the dresses you wear  
And the color of your hair  
I'll remember the life we made  
All the beauty....the price we paid  
I'll remember that look in your eye  
I'll remember my reply**

**I'll remember that look in your eye  
I'll remember.....**

# **A Tip of the Hat**

**by Tom Farley**

**Some people talk about letting it go**

**Some people hide it where light never shows**

**Some talk and petition – and some never care**

**Life is a road sign "State of Repair"**

**Chorus**

**They're not really living if they're living a lie**

**And they can't feel the breeze when the wind rushes by**

**Don't try to determine or think it all through**

**A tip of the hat is all you can do...**

**We can try moving forward – and keep it on track**

**But we're always reminded – it's the vision they lack**

**So now I'm retired – I'm finished at last**

**So my dean and my A.D. - can both kiss my ass**

**Chorus**



## *An Old and Familiar Play*

*By Tom Farley*

*It's so easy to start so long ago when I think about where I've been*

*And when I consider the lessons I've learned I should travel back again and again*

*Chorus*

*But I'm under a different director and the set has completely changed*

*And the original cast of characters has been totally re-arranged*

*Should I spend some more time on production....can I think of a better way*

*I'm just playing the part of Tommy in an old and familiar play*

*I'm a modestly educated man in desire and in degree*

*And I honestly do the best I can by my friends and my family*

*I should travel to the mountains in the early fall....I should carefully examine my life*

*I should listen to the wisdom of the very small....I should spend some more time with my wife*

*Chorus*

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# **You Don't Have To**

by Tom Farley

**You don't have to take confession  
Or let me bend your ear  
You don't have to speak so gently  
When you wipe away my tear  
You've always been my dearest friend  
In a life where friends were few  
Your love you bring like all those things  
That you don't have to do**

**You don't have to send a notion  
To show me that you care  
And you don't have to give emotion  
When so much love is there  
It's hard to find a heart so kind  
In a beauty warm and true  
Your love you bring like all those things  
That you don't have to do**

# About the Giving by Tom Farley

E A  
Can you pick up some things at the grocer?

E A  
Can you move my table and chair?

E A  
I've been calling every five minutes

E A  
Can you see I'm losing my hair?...oh my

I'll be sure you get your medication  
Save some time for touches and smiles  
Say the words that make a conversation  
I will push this wheelchair for miles

## Chorus

F#m B  
*It's never about the hours*  
F#m B  
*Cherish the time you share*  
F#m B  
*It's sometimes about the giving*  
E  
*But always the care...*

It's been too many days on the chemo  
And it's hard to keep anything down  
A schedule full of appointments  
I'm so tired of running around...yes, I am

So many things to consider  
So many things that I fear  
But I wake up praying and hoping  
And it's all because you are here...yes, it is

I'll be sure you get your medication  
Save some time for touches and smiles  
Say the words that make a conversation  
I will push this wheelchair for miles

## Chorus X2



# *Over You*

*By Tom Farley*

*Here I am again....heart so full of pain*

*And trying hard not to show it*

*Every night I sit and cry over you*

*Things are not the same and isn't it a shame*

*That we could never control it*

*Passion and pride....torn up inside over you*

*Break*

*Tears on my pillow....old yellow moon is shining bright*

*I wonder where will you be tonight*

*Here I am again....heart so full of pain*

*And trying hard not to show it*

*Every night I sit and cry over you*

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