

Redgum - I Was Only 19

Tom: **G**
Intro: **Am C G D Am G Am**

Am **C** **G** **D** **Am** **G** **Am**
Mum and Dad and Denny saw the passing-out parade at Puckapunyal

G **Am**
It was a long march from cadets

Am **C** **G**
The sixth battalion was the next to tour, and it was me who drew the card

Am **G** **Am**
We did Canungra, Shoalwater before we left

E **D**
And Townsville lined the footpaths as we marched down to the quay

E **D** **A**
This clipping from the paper shows us young and strong and clean

Gbm **E** **D** **A**
And there's me in my slouch hat with my SLR and greens

E **D**
God help me, I was only nineteen

Am **C** **G** **D**
From Vung Tau, riding Chinooks, to the dust at Nui Dat

Am **G** **Am**
I'd been in and out of choppers now for months

Am **C** **G** **D**
But we made our tents a home, VB and pinups on the lockers

Am **G** **Am**
And an agent orange sunset through the scrub
A four week operation when each step could mean your last one on two legs

G **Am**
It was a war within yourself

Am **C** **G** **D**
But you wouldn't let your mates down til they had you dusted off

Am **G** **Am**
So you closed your eyes and thought about something else

E **D** **A**
Then someone yelled out "Contact!" and the bloke behind me swore

E **D** **A**
We hooked in there for hours, then a Godalmighty roar

Gbm **E** **D** **A**
Frankie kicked a mine the day that mankind kicked the moon

E **D**
God help me, he was going home in June

Am **C** **G** **D**
I can still see Frankie, drinking tinnies in the Grand Hotel

Am **G** **Am**
On a thirty-six hour rec leave in Vung Tau

Am **C** **G** **D**
And I can still hear Frankie, lying screaming in the jungle

Am **G** **Am**
Til the morphine came and killed the bloody row

E **D** **A**
And the Anzac legends didn't mention mud and blood and tears

E **D** **A**
And the stories that my father told me never seemed quite real

Gbm **E** **D** **A**
I caught some pieces in my back that I didn't even feel

E **D**
God help me, I was only nineteen

E **D** **A**
And can you tell me, doctor, why I still can't get to sleep?

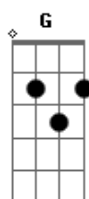
E **D** **A**
And why the Channel Seven chopper chills me to my feet?

Gbm **E** **D**
And what's this rash that comes and goes, can you tell me what it means?

E **D**
God help me, I was only nineteen

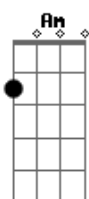
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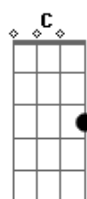
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Am



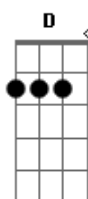
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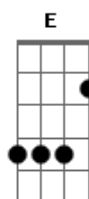
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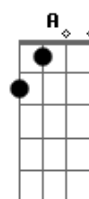
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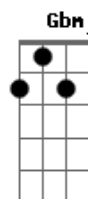
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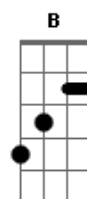
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Gbm



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