**Leaving it Behind**

When you’re driving through this little town, all along the road

There’s for sale signs everywhere you go

The men of this town have fled to colder ground

Just to keep their families at home

The work ain’t there, the world ain’t fair

He tries to hang around

He has to leave his friends and family

And learn to drill the ground

Now the winter keeps him company at night

He had to leave it all behind just to make their future bright

When he saw the people leaving town, he knew what he had to do

Now he’s gone away and he’s there to stay just to start his life anew

When the plane touched down, he looked around

For this was his new home

He knew there’d be some guys he knew

But still he felt alone

His new job was a driller on a grounded oil rig

He knew the work was hard, but for them he had to dig

He has a picture of his family; they’re the reason that he’s there

Every night he holds that picture close and says a little prayer

But now the winter keeps him company at night

He had to leave it all behind just to make their future bright

When he saw the people leaving town, he knew what he had to do

Now he’s gone away and he’s there to stay just to start his life anew

As the years went by, he worked them lands

‘Til it felt like they’d run dry

And after thirty years of hurt and tears

He kissed the drill goodbye

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The men of this town have fled to colder ground

But after working all his life, it was time to go back home

Now his family keeps him company at night

He had to leave it all behind just to make their future bright

He had to join the people leaving town, so he could start anew

But now he’s home to stay and never go away, for his dreams have all come true