

# My Claim to Fame

Mark Knopfler

Well he's a big star now  
But I've been a fan of his for years  
The way he sings and plays guitar  
Still brings me to tears

I wouldn't want to be a big deal  
I wouldn't want to be a celebrity  
I spend my life building ships of steel  
That's all there ever was for me

Take a hammer to the sea belles  
And shout my name  
And I'll sail the seas as free as a breeze  
That's my claim to fame

He spends his life in the studio  
Jet planes and big black cars  
Plays records on the radio  
In all of the clubs and in all of the bars

By day he didn't have a choice  
You had to take a trade  
You had no money and you had no voice  
That's the life I made

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That's my claim to fame boys  
That's my claim to fame  
To sail the seas as free as a breeze  
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Well a song can live forever and a day  
An old ship goes to the breakers yard  
In a hundred years you're gonna hear him play  
They won't remember me for working hard

Now they've all gone away, all the boys and the girls  
They yard is a grave where the river runs through  
We used to build the ships for the whole wide world  
Now we couldn't do it if we wanted to

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