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Gene in concert at Crockett, TX (Photo credit: Thanks to fan Sherri Stevens for sending this in!)

Dear Friends,

The band and I have a lot of concerts coming up and I sure hope you can get out to see us in your area. You can check concert dates at three online sites: <a href="www.thirdcoasttalent.com">www.thirdcoasttalent.com</a>; <a href="www.gene-watson.com">www.gene-watson.com</a> and my site <a href="www.gene-watsonmusic.com">www.gene-watson.com</a>. Of course if you've got a specific question, just email <a href="mailto:Artist@LytleMgmt.com">Artist@LytleMgmt.com</a> and someone will get back to you by email.

If you saw the GAC Master Series show back in April, you know that I made a donation on air to the Country Music Hall of Fame & Museum. This was a big honor for me. The show is taped at the museum so prior to the TV taping, the staff took me to an area where many historical objects are stored before they are put on display. They allowed me to play Lester Flatt's original guitar and since I collect guitars, you know I really enjoyed that. Maybe I'm not supposed to mention that I got to touch such a valuable instrument so let's just keep that our secret!



Here are some of the items I donated to the Country Music Hall of Fame Museum. Judy's of Nashville made the red diamond suit for me, and the famous Hollywood tailor, Nudie Cohn, made the green one. Those were some suits weren't they? More flash there than on a neon Vegas sign!





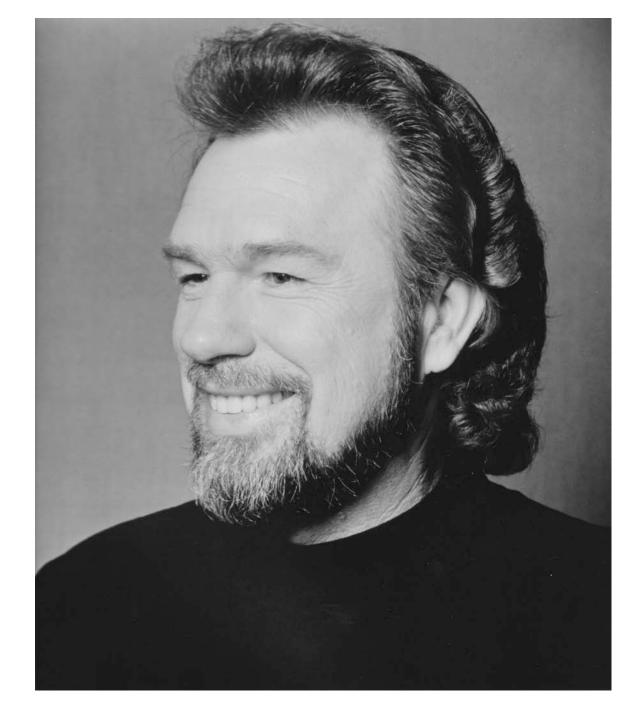


On June 25<sup>th</sup> I taped a TV show for David Frizzell called "Frizzell & Friends" that will air September 1<sup>st</sup> on the RFD-TV network. We had a great time taping the show with so many good friends there. Listen for the single "This Is Our Time" on your radio station soon.



Joe Stampley, David Frizzell and me at the TV taping





Thanks for remaining the best fans in the world. I always enjoy seeing you at the shows and appreciate it when you take the time to stay after and say hello. I'll be looking for you on the road.

Til then as always, take care,

- my later

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Gene was all smiles when Janis Willis of Indiana surprised him with a beautiful, rose covered golf club during his performance of "Paper Rosie" at the Little Nashville Opry in Nashville, IN. Janis was teasing Gene about his golfing incident where he injured his hand on the golf course.

Thankfully, Gene's hand is all healed now and he's only banned from one golf course in Texas (just kidding).

In March ,Gene and Trace Adkins both performed at the Strawberry Festival in Florida. Trace watched Gene's entire show from backstage!

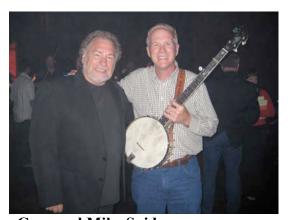




# OPRY SHOWS ARE A GREAT TIME TO CATCH UP WITH OLD FRIENDS



Rebecca Lynn Howard



Gene and Mike Snider



Josh Turner



Joe Nichols

In an interview with Shannon McCombs backstage at the Opry May 31<sup>st</sup>, Joe said of Gene, "He's one of the most underrated singers of our time and it would be a huge honor for me to be up on stage with him."

### WIN WIN WIN

Congratulations to the winner of our last contest Stefan F. from Sri Lanka.

Question: Name the band Gene and his cousins started

Answer: Gene Watson and The Other Four

# **CONTEST**

For your chance to win an autographed Gene Watson T Shirt, answer this question:

Which song is included on both Gene Watson's album *Gene Watson Sings!* and also on Chris Young's self-titled debut album?

Send the correct response to : <u>Artist@LytleMgmt.com</u> and one winning name will be drawn at random to be announced in the next newsletter.

## **FAN VIEW**

Meet the Gene Watson fan that was the original poster on the CMT Gene Watson message board

"Grasscutter", a/k/a Peggy from Owensboro, KY.



Gene with Peggy in Owensboro, KY Nov. 2008

**Occupation:** Retired school teacher

**First Time Hearing About Gene Watson**: WSM radio played "Old Man and His Horn." Peggy and her Mom hurried to their local Woolco Department store to purchase a Gene Watson album and returned home with Gene's 18 Greatest Hits.

First Gene concert: Owensboro, KY October 2003.

Most recent Gene concert: June 20, 2008 Bean Blossom, Indiana

Favorite Gene Watson songs: Only Yesterday, Forever Again, If I Painted A Picture

Special thanks to Peggy for sharing her photos taken at the Bean Blossom Festival. You can check those out on the photo gallery at <a href="www.genewatsonmusic.com">www.genewatsonmusic.com</a>
We'd love to have your photos taken at a Gene concert too so send those along to <a href="Artist@LytleMgmt.com">Artist@LytleMgmt.com</a>.

# **TOUR**

July 5	Eagles Nest	Maggie Valley, NC
July 19	Renfro Valley Ent. Center	Renfro Valley, KY
July 26	Georgia Mtn. Fair	Hiawassee, GA
July 31	Scandinavian Ctry Music Festival	Furuvik, Sweden
August 2	UTV Country Fest	Dungannon Park, N. Ireland
August 4	Millennium Forum	Londonderry, N. Ireland
August 5	Tullyglass Hotel	Antrim, N. Ireland
August 8	Union County West End Fair	Laurelton, PA
August 9	Carbon County Fair	Palmerton, PA
August 14	Tazewell County Fair	Tazewell, VA