

GENE WATSON

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WHAT A QUARTET THIS WOULD BE

Photo Left:

At the Florida State Fair in Tampa, Gene enjoyed catching up with a lot of great friends who were all on the multiple act show. Four amazing male vocalists are shown here backstage are left to right: Bobby Bare, Gene, Moe Bandy and David Frizzell.

STARS SHINE BRIGHT IN FLORIDA

Photo Right: At the end of the Florida State Fair Show, host LeRoy VanDyke and his wife, Gladys, bring back the entire show lineup. From left to right: Moe Bandy, Gene, Jean Shepherd, Jimmy Fortune, Bobby Bare, T.Graham Brown and David Frizzell.



Hi Friends,

In this tough economy I hope that you're weathering the storm and in spite of it all, that you're finding joy in life. When it all gets to be too much, do what I do - turn up the country music and let it ease you through your day.

I'm not sure of a release date yet but I'm working on a new album this spring for Shanachie Records. I love being in the studio almost as much as I love performing onstage. It's just a thrill to be in a room with all those talented musicians, making great music. As soon as I know when it's going to be available, you'll be the first to know and I hope you'll like it. You can be sure, it's being made with you in mind and it will be 100% pure country. It's great to see you when we're touring and please know it's always truly appreciated.

Take care and see you out on the road,



MORE LAUGHS BACKSTAGE

When these guys get together they certainly have a great time. Laughing up here left to right are: Bobby Bare, David Frizzell, Moe Bandy, T. Graham Brown and Gene Watson

Fan Photo of the Day

We received this photo of Gene and felt it just captured the essence of a Gene Watson concert experience. When Gene Watson sings, it has been sung! He gives his audience 110% on every song!

Thank you Terry from Goodlettsville, TN for sending this one in.

If you've got a great Gene photo, just email it to Artist@LytleMgmt.com and we'll try to use it here or on Gene's websites.



Photo Right:

DID WE MENTION DARRYL WORLEY IS TALL?

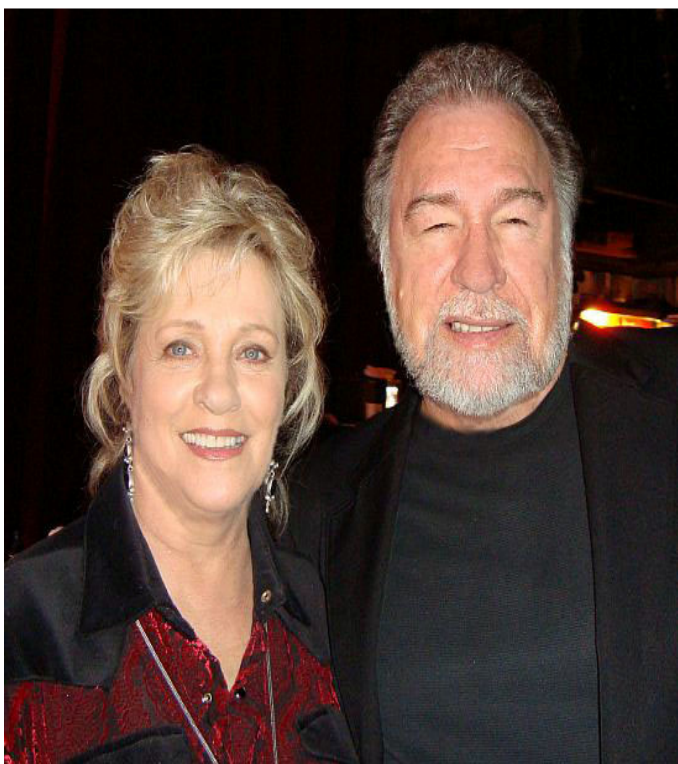
The great Darryl Worley and Gene took a minute backstage at the Opry recently to have a chat. Darryl told Gene that he had been asked just the week before during a radio interview to tell them his favorite country singer and Darryl said "It's the singer who's CD is in my car CD player right this moment, the great Gene Watson!". Thank you Darryl !!



Photo Left:

ONCE A DAY, EVERY DAY, ALL DAY LONG

That sums it up for most country lovin' folks as to how often they'd like to hear Ms. Connie Smith sing. Gene is among her fans. After he left the stage of the Opry, he made sure to stay back and listen to the beautiful voice of Connie Smith as she sang "Once A Day...", her song that remained at #1 for 8 consecutive weeks in 1964.



MEET FAREWELL PARTY BAND MEMBER, TODD HINES DRUMMER EXTRAORDINAIRE !



Q: Where were you born and raised?

A: Born in Ft. Worth, TX and raised in Paris, TX

Q: Where do you currently live?

A: Paris, TX

Q: Who are your musical influences?

A: Merle Haggard ; Restless Heart

Q: How did you first start in the music business?

A: I got my first set of drums at age 6 for Christmas and I taught myself to play. I just practiced at home and joining Gene's band was my first professional music job.

Q: What job would you do if not in the music biz?

A: Building Contractor

Q: What are your hobbies?

A: Fishing! Mainly bass fishing on lakes/rivers

Q: What is your favorite sports team

A: Dallas Cowboys Football!

Q: What's your favorite Gene Watson song to play?

A: Change Her Mind

Q: Do you play any other instruments?

A: Bass and acoustic guitar

CHECK out Gene's FACEBOOK page!

www.Facebook.com/GeneWatson

ADD yourself to Gene's MySpace Fans at

www.MySpace.com/GeneWatson

For the most up to date information always
check in with Gene's websites:

www.GeneWatsonMusic.com and

www.Gene-Watson.com

Send your questions about Gene Watson to

Artist@LytleMgmt.com

THANK YOU
for your support of Gene Watson!



FAN SPOTLIGHT SHINES ON HEATHER MCCANN



Photo: Heather with Gene in Ireland



Photo: Gene in Burnavon, Ireland 1986 shaking hands with Heather . This was Heather's first ever Gene concert.

Q: Where do you live?

A: My home Country is Northern Ireland (UK) the town I live in is called Portadown & I have lived here all my life.

Q: What type work do you do?

A: I'm a housewife now; I but used to work as a sewing machinist at a local factory, which I thoroughly enjoyed.

Q: What are your Top Five Gene songs?

A:It's very difficult to pick just five but these would be among my favourites...

1. The Last Thing I Planned To Do Today was Cheat
2. Nothing Sure Looked Good On You
3. You Sure Make Cheatin' Seem Easy
4. The Note
5. Atlanta Anymore

The #1 song to me would have to be "*Carmen*". I just adore that song & the beautiful melody.

Personally, to Gene, I'd like to say a very big thank you for all the great music you have shared with us over the years & thanks for staying true to what I like to call "Real Country Music".

Q:What are your hobbies?

A: Photography, Card making & writing Poetry

Q: Where did you first hear about Gene Watson

A:I first heard about Gene when I heard him played on the radio & that was back in the 70's, to be honest I'm not sure what that very first song was but I remember thinking who could this singer with such a beautiful voice be?

Q: How many concerts have you attended?

A: I've lost count of the number of concerts I've attended, but the very first time I got to see Gene sing "live" in concert was at The Kings Hall in Belfast, Northern Ireland on Tuesday 1st April 1986 when he came over here as part of the Wembley Tour Festival. I actually got to meet with Gene, he came out to the side stage door & he very kindly autographed my programme from the show (*which I still treasure among my collection of Gene memorabilia*).I was walking on air for months after that meeting!!...It wasn't until some 18 years later, in 2004 that I would get to meet Gene again when he made a return visit here. I also had that same pleasure in 2006, 2007 & 2008 when he & the Farewell Party Band paid some more visits to our shores & I must add that the guys in Gene's band are also such real gentlemen & have great patience, Gene & the guys are just so courteous toward all their fans...

TOUR DATES

APRIL 18	EAGLES'S NEST	MAGGIE VALLEY, NC	
MAY 9	MINEOLA CIVIC CENTER	MAY DAYS FESTIVAL	MINEOLA, TX
MAY 16	THE SHRINE TEMPLE	GREENVILLE, SC	
MAY 22	STEEL HORSE SALOON	APPLE SPRINGS, TX	
JUNE 11	TRI-LAKES CENTER	BRANSON, MO	WITH MERLE HAGGARD
JUNE 13	CROSBY RODEO	CROSBY, TX	
JUNE 19	AL MUSIC HALL OF FAME	TUSCUMBIA, AL	WITH MERLE HAGGARD
JUNE 20	FARMER'S OPRY	PACE, FL	
JULY 4	INDEPENDENCE EXTRAVAGANZA	ROUNDUP, MT	
JULY 11	STAGECOACH BALLROOM	FT. WORTH, TX	

Many more dates are pending so check online at www.GeneWatsonMusic.com or www.Gene-Watson.com for updates.

Always check with the venue prior to traveling as dates/times are subject to change without notice.

To book GENE WATSON , contact Carrie Moore-Reed at www.thirdcoasttalent.com

Phone: (615) 333-7235

AND THE WINNER IS

Congratulations to: Norma Jean of Owensboro, KY for winning the trivia contest. Norma Jean's name was drawn at random from all correct entries answering the question "What Gene Watson song was featured in the Clint Eastwood movie *Any Which Way You Can*?"

Answer: "Any Way You Want Me".



Answer this question for a chance to win a Gene Watson Tee Shirt :

What is the title of this Gene Watson album that has this photo on the cover?



EMAIL your answer to:

ARTIST@LytleMmgmt.com by May 15th.

One winner to be drawn at random from all correct entries.



TWO OF THE NICEST GUYS IN SHOW BIZ!

(April 2, 2009, Nashville, TN) Gene and Vince Gill both appeared on the Classic Country Opry where Vince upon hearing Gene was a fan of his song "If You Ever Have Forever In Mind" promptly dedicated the song to him onstage and even managed to insert Gene's name into the end of the song. This caused big smiles from both as they met up backstage!