

February, 2015

Hi Friends—Happy Valentine’s Day! I have just returned from another successful Country’s Family Reunion cruise. We sailed to San Juan, Puerto Rico, St. Thomas and St. Maarten. It was just beautiful weather the whole week and of course it was all about some real country music. I certainly enjoyed meeting a lot of fans for the first time plus saying hello to many I’ve come to know over the years. We have many fans who’ve been on all of the CFR cruises and they say they won’t miss one.

Larry Black and his crew kept us all entertained. On one show, Larry asked me just off the cuff, to sing a song by an act I admired so I chose to do “Danny Boy” by my hero, Ray Price. I’m not sure what made me decide to sing that song at 9AM but I hope the fans enjoyed it.

Of course all week long I had to endure bad jokes from Moe Bandy and Johnny Lee but that was just a small price to pay for all the fun we had. I sure hope to see some of you on the next cruise.

I’m keeping my fingers crossed none of us has any more snow. I think our friends in the Northeast have had enough of that! Think a positive thought—it’s only about 35 more days until SPRING!

All my best,

Gene

New Year's Bluegrass Festival-Jekyll Island, Georgia-Jan. 1, 2015



Gene Watson & the Farewell Party Band



Danny Naccarato



Chad Phillips



Todd Hines



Chip Bricker

We enjoyed performing New Year's Day at the Bluegrass Festival held at Jekyll Island, Georgia.

This is a beautiful place to visit!

Photos of Gene Watson and the Farewell Party Band courtesy of

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COUNTRY'S FAMILY REUNION CRUISE-Jan. 31 - Feb. 7, 2015



Bill Anderson starts each show with all the artists singing "Family Reunion".



Rhonda Vincent and Gene sang their duet "My Sweet Love Ain't Around" which was originally written and recorded by Hank Williams, Sr.



Tea Goans is no doubt wishing she had been seated anywhere but between Moe Bandy and Gene Watson.



Gene Watson wows the crowd with his signature song "Farewell Party" - and received a standing ovation from the fans!



All the female artists on the show got up to sing with Jeannie Seely on the song "Those Memories". Left to right: Jeannie Seely, Rhonda Vincent, Kelly Lang and Tea Goans.



Rhonda Vincent enlisted all the artists to sing the final chorus on "Faded Love" while Rhonda, Hunter Berry, and Hank Singer delighted the crowd with their triple fiddles on this tune.



Gene, with harmonies by Michele Capps, paid homage to Little Jimmy Dickens who wrote "If I'm A Fool For Leaving", a song Gene recorded on his first album "Gene Watson" in 1973. Gene told the story that he discovered that song on the flip side of LJD's hit "May The Bird Of Paradise Fly Up Your Nose" and was impressed that Little Jimmy had also written the song.



Kelly Lang, Gene, and TG Sheppard visited backstage after the final cruise performance.



Rhonda Vincent and Gene take a break from the autograph session to pose for this photo.



Gene and Johnny Lee both hail from the great state of Texas!

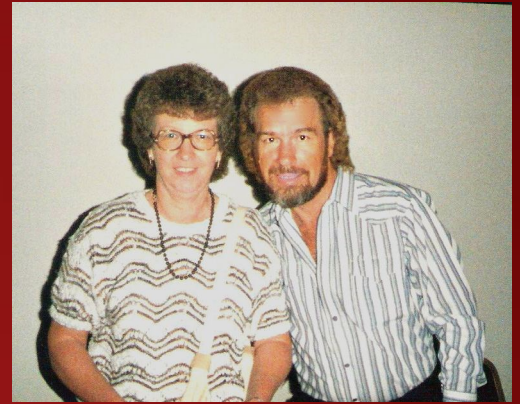


Making funny faces are left to right: Bill Anderson Jeannie Seely, Gene, Nadine, and Rhonda Vincent.



After dinner together, this motley crew shared a few laughs and decided to pose for a picture. Left to right: Fred Bingaman of Crosley Radios, Jeannie Seely, Keith Bilbrey, Gene Watson, Michele Capps. Seated: Johnny Lee, Moe Bandy, and Jimmy Capps.

Fan Profile On Joyce Garrett



Joyce Garrett and Gene Watson
Sept. 5, 1987-Paduca, Kentucky.

Where do you live?

My husband, Floyd, and I live in Bloomington, IL and have lived here most of our lives. I grew up in LeRoy, IL and Floyd grew up in Saybrook, IL.

Tell us about your family:

We have a total of 8 children living in the Bloomington-Normal and Gibson City, IL area. We have 13 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Several of the moms of the children attended their first Gene Watson concert this past September, 2014 at the McFerren Civic Center in Hoopston, IL and are now hooked on Gene. What a wonderful singer/performer he is.

Floyd is retired crane operator and I worked in food services for many years. Now we enjoy camping, golfing and spending time with our family.

What are your favorite Gene Watson songs?

We currently have 19 CD's and our favorite songs are: "Carmen", "You Gave Me A Mountain", "Walk Through This World With Me", "The Old Man And His Horn", and of course "Farewell Party".

Tell us about the Gene Watson concerts you have attended:

We have attended many concerts within the central and southern Illinois area. We recently just purchased sirius/xm so we can listen to Gene on Willie's Roadhouse on channel 59.

Any other things you'd like to share with us?

I have two t-shirts, one being his 50th year in country music and a cap.

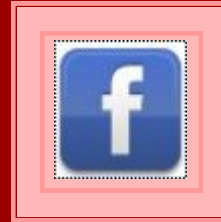


Date	Event/Venue	City/State
February 18, 2015	Whitey Shafer Benefit at Nashville Palace	Nashville, TN
February 20, 2015	Pharr Event Center	Pharr, TX
February 27, 2015	Mill Town Music Hall	Bremen, GA
February 28, 2015	Itawamba Community College	Fulton, MS
March 13, 2015	Arlington Music Hall	Arlington, TX
March 14, 2015	Cherokee Casino—SEVEN Stage	West Siloam Springs, OK
March 20 & 21, 2015	Ross Country Jamboree	New Washington, IN
April 10 & 11, 2015	Orange Blossom Opry	Weirsdale, FL
April 17, 2015	Shriners Country Fest at Texas Woodstock	Arp, TX
April 18, 2015	Route 92 Club	Youngsville, LA
May 1, 2015	Little Roy & Lizzy Music Festival	Lincolnton, GA
May 2, 2015	Red Barn Convention Center	Winchester, OH
May 5, 2015	Starlite Theatre—Larry's Country Diner Show	Branson, MO
May 7, 2015	Leo J. Wilder Center for Performing Arts	Victoria, TX
May 9, 2015	Osage Casino	Bartlesville, OK
May 30, 2015	Bluegrass On The Plains	Auburn, AL
June 5, 2015	Cherokee Bluegrass Festival	Cherokee, NC
June 12, 2015	Outlaws & Legends Club	Lindsey, TX
June 13, 2015	San Saba Street Dance	San Saba, TX
June 26, 2015	Music In The Mountains Bluegrass Festival	Summersville, WV
July 3, 2015	Dosey Doe	The Woodlands, TX
July 4, 2015	Texas Opry	Weatherford, TX
July 25, 2015	Rural Retreat Heritage Days-Dr. Pepper Stage	Rural Retreat, VA
August 14, 2015	41st Annual North Carolina Bluegrass Festival	Marion, NC
August 15, 2015	Sagebrush Round Up/WV Country Music Hall Of Fame	Fairmont, WV
September 12, 2014	Renfro Valley Entertainment—New Barn	Renfro Valley, KY
September 24 & 25, 2105	Starlite Theatre— Larry's Country Diner Show	Branson, MO
October 9 & 10, 2015	Kentucky Opry	Benton, KY
October 20, 21, 22, 2015	Starlite Theatre	Branson, MO
November 6, 2015	Country Tonite Theater	Pigeon Forge, TN
November 8, 2015	Expoland/Expo Hall (Cancer Benefit)	Fishersville, VA
November 14, 2015	Lovelady Old Gym	Lovelady, TX



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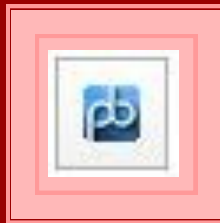
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Trivia Contest Winner!

Congratulation to Larry Wayland of Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada, who submitted the winning entry for our last trivia contest question: "With whom did Gene Watson record the duet "Silver Bells"?"

And the answer: George Jones

The next trivia question: For your chance to win an autographed tee shirt, just answer the question sent to Fan Club Members only and send the correct answer to: GeneWatsonMusic@hotmail.com

If you are reading this and not a registered member of Gene Watson's Fan Club, just sign up at www.GeneWatsonMusic.com. Only Fan Club members get the Trivia Question!

