

GENE WATSON FAN CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Hi Friends-

I'm happy to report that after a heavy bout of upper respiratory problems, I'm now feeling much better! No one hates to cancel a show more than me so I appreciate your understanding.

I also thank you for your concern for me and the band after Hurricane Harvey hit our great state of Texas. Fortunately my home in Houston was spared and the band all reported that they are fine as well. Of course there's a tremendous need for those who lost everything in the flood so if you are able, please consider donating to a charity to help with all the clean-up and rebuilding. We can't forget the victims of Hurricane Irma also.

Before all the storm devastation, I finished up my Gospel CD and even had an advanced copy in my hand when I taped the new Country's Family Reunion show "Another Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting". Backstage I stopped to say hello to The Isaacs who sang harmonies on one of my new songs. Next thing I knew I was swept into their "Facebook Live" chat and they held up my new CD. I can't wait for you to hear the track they're on. I picked a mix of songs - some old favorites we all grew up on, some that were personal to me that I sang with my family in church and then a few new ones I've heard and just wanted to share with you. We've just signed up with a Christian Distribution company and they control the release date. So once they tell me when that will be, I'll let you know, too!

As we head into Fall, I hope to see you out at one of our shows. Our schedule is always posted on the websites and Facebook so check to see if we're coming near you. You can also email our

agent, Rob Battle, if you have a local festival or theater we might get to. His e-mail is <u>RBattleArtistAgent@united.net</u>.

Take care,

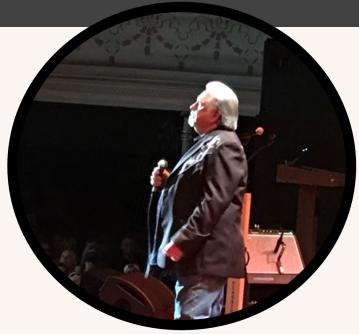




OPRY COUNTRY CLASSICS



Gene and Crystal Gayle visited backstage, talking about the days when they toured together. Crystal is of course the younger sister of Loretta Lynn!



Gene stands in the Opry spotlight on the hallowed stage of the Ryman, known as the "Mother Church of Country Music."



The audience is mesmerized as Gene wows them with his ever powerful ballad, "Farewell Party".

GRAND OLE OPRY!

GENE WATSON & THE FAREWELL PARTY BAND!



On Saturday, June 10th, Gene performed the Opry Country Classics matinee at the Ryman (downtown), and then had to hightail it to Opryland for the evening performance of the Grand Ole Opry with his Farewell Party Band. The show was hosted by his dear friend, Jeannie Seely.



Crystal Gayle, Charley Pride and Gene Watson - does it get any better than that?



Gene would like to have this gargantuan TV monitor to watch his Western channel shows!

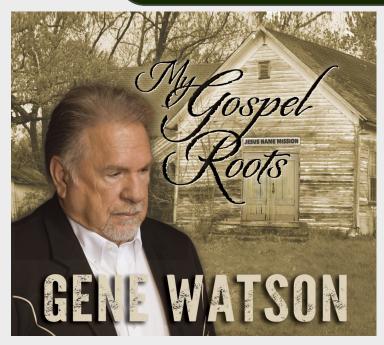


Gene enjoyed visiting with the legendary Charley Pride before his show. Charley has 52 top-10 hits, 29 of them #1's. He's a member of the Grand Ole Opry and the Country Music Hall Of Fame.



Gene and Bobby Bare shared a dressing room and a few laughs as well. Bobby Bare has had numerous hits including "Detroit City" and is a member of the Country Music Hall Of Fame.

VIDEO SHOOT



Here's the front cover for the new Gospel CD "My Gospel Roots". Gene's humble hometown church was called the *Jesus Name Mission* and while the front cover is a simulation, you will enjoy seeing an actual photo of his church—with the 3 pastors Gene knew growing up-pictured on the back cover.



Gene shot the video in this historic church in Brentwood. The church was founded in 1808.



Gene tapes a scene for the video in front of this beautiful stained glass dating back to the 1800's.



Gene at work, shooting the video for his Gospel CD.

COUNTRY'S FAMILY REUNION TAPING COMING SOON! ANOTHER WEDNESDAY NIGHT PRAYER MEETING SERIES!



The Isaacs talking with Gene on Facebook Live.



Marty Raybon (Shenandoah lead singer) discussed new songs with Gene backstage. Gene and Marty are mutual fans of each other's music.



Gene and Randy Travis-it was a happy moment when these two old friends visited prior to the show taping. Randy and Gene worked many, many shows together.



If you haven't yet discovered The Malpass Brothers, you are missing out! These super talented & super nice young men play

Real. Country. Music.



Gene always enjoys chatting with his longtime friend & guitar legend, Jimmy Capps-aka The Sheriff on the Larry's Country Diner show.



Here are two real mechanics talking cars. Chris Malpass is a real life working mechanic when he's not on the road singing the good kind of country music.

www.TheMalpassBrothers.com



The producers of the show handed Gene a Moe Bandy album and Gene says "I think my expression says all I need to say on this subject!"

SHOW PHOTOS FROM TOUR VENUES!



Bill Anderson & Gene Watson at the Montgomery Performing Arts Center, Montgomery, AL



Gene Watson (and FPB drummer Todd Hines) in Ft. Worth, TX



"The Bus" at Stephensville, TX



BATTLE ARTIST AGENCY

To book Gene Watson for an event in your area contact: Rob Battle at Battle Artist Agency at 1-615-368-7433 or by email at: <u>RBattleArtistAgent@United.net</u>.

TRIVIA CONTEST WINNER!

Congratulations to

Glenda Ballard of W. Columbia, SC, who submitted the winning entry for our last trivia contest question: "Which Nat King Cole song did Gene Watson record?" The correct answer: "Ramblin' Rose". For your chance to win an autographed tee shirt, just answer the trivia question sent to Fan Club Members only and send the correct answer to: <u>GeneWatsonMusic@hotmail.com</u>.

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

GENE WATSON TOUR ITINERARY

Sept. 16 & 17	Midwest Country Theater	Sandstone, MN
Sept. 20	Starlite Theater (w/Larry's Country Diner)	Branson, MO
Sept. 23	Margaritaville Casino	Bossier City, LA
Sept. 28	Red River Valley Fair	Paris, TX
Sept. 29 & 30	Kentucky Opry	Benton, KY
Oct. 7	Louisburg College	Louisburg, NC
Oct. 8	American Music Theater (w/Bellamys)	Lancaster, PA
Oct. 10	County Fair	Cumming, GA
Oct. 12 & 13	Starlite Theatre	Branson, MO
Oct. 14	Palace Theatre	Corsicana, TX
Oct. 20	Riverwind Casino	Norman, OK
Oct.21	Nelson's Music City	Knob Lick, MO
Oct. 22	Winstar Casino (w/Moe Bandy!)	Thackerville, OK
Oct. 27	Anderson Civic Center	Anderson, SC
Oct. 28	Liberty Showcase	Liberty, NC
Nov. 1 & 2	Starlite Theatre	Branson, MO
Nov. 4	Dosey Doe	The Woodlands, TX
Nov. 11	Texas Opry Theater	Weatherford, TX
Nov. 12	Buffalo Run Casino	Miami, OK
Nov. 17	Penn's Peak	Jim Thorpe, PA
Nov. 18	Harvester Performing Arts Center	Rocky Mount, VA
Nov. 25	Lake Striker Marina Concert Field	Reklaw, TX
Dec. 1	Greenville Municipal Auditorium	Greenville, TX
Dec. 2	Music City Texas Theater	Linden, TX

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Dec. 14	Main Street Crossing	Tomball, TX	
Dec. 28 & 29	Blue Gate Theater	Shipshewana, IN	
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Jan. 6	Sugar Creek Casino	Hinton, OK	
Jan. 13	Bosque Arts Center	Clifton, TX	
Jan. 28-Feb. 4	CFR/LCD Cruise	Caribbean	
Feb. 10	Palms RV Resort	Yuma, AZ	
Feb. 17 & 18	Orange Blossom Opry	Weirsdale, FL	
Feb. 19 Palladiu	um Theater at St. Petersburg College	St. Petersburg, FL	
Feb. 24	Ameristar Casino	Kansas City, MO	
March 3	Anderson Music Hall	Hiawassee, GA	
March 10	Sky Performing Arts Center	Bowling Green, KY	
March 16 & 17	Ross Country Jamboree	Scottsburg, IN	
March 24	Freeland Performing Arts Center	Bristow, OK	
May 4	Little Roy and Lizzy Festival	Lincolnton, GA	
May 12	Arlington Music Hall	Arlington, TX	
Aug 31 & Sept 1	Blue Gate Theater	Shipshewana, IN	

