

Dear Friends -

What a summer we're having! Where I live in Houston, Texas it has been hotter than ever and as soon as the heat stops we'll have rain like a monsoon! I've heard from a lot of you that you're having much the same. Wonder what we'll get this winter? Always fun driving in odd weather in a bus.

So what else is going on? For me, I had a great trip to England. The C'est La Vie band did a wonderful job backing me up and it was such a pleasure to visit with my fans there.

Next month, I'm headed up to Colborne, Ontario Canada and look forward to that. Rhonda Vincent will be making her first appearance at Colborne so be sure to come out and see her. Here in the USA, we've got quite a few casino shows coming up so look at the tour list and come out and visit with us at a show near you.

Always enjoy hearing from you so email anytime at

[Artist@Lytlemgmt.com](mailto:Artist@Lytlemgmt.com). Take care,



### The Early Days

This photo above is from the television show, *Pop Goes The Country*, circa 1976. Gene said he was a bit nervous doing this TV show but always enjoyed his interviews with the legendary host, Ralph Emery (pictured right).



### A Crowd Favorite

Photo Left: At the Bean Blossom Festival, Bean Blossom, Indiana on June 9th, Farewell Party Band member, Brian Kelley, is shown tooting his own horn for the much requested song "Old Man And His Horn". This song is on Gene's recent release, *Best Of The Best, 25 Greatest hits*.

### ACROSS THE POND

Photo Left: Gene met up with Irish pals, Norman Rainey (left) and Raymond Glenn (right) at the July 6th show in St. Helens (England). Many of you may know Raymond as the administrator on the Gene Watson Fan Forum. Join in to talk about all things Gene Watson at:

<http://genewatsonfans.proboards.com/>

## Gene Performs At The 2012 CMA Music Fest Nashville, TN



June 7th: Gene performs on the WSM-AM Radio stage with the legendary, Jimmy Capps on guitar and the fabulous Michelle Voan-Capps singing backup. Jimmy "The Sheriff" and Michelle are regulars on RFD Network's "Larry's Country Diner" TV show.



Thursday, June 7th: Gene is shown at the Bud Light Stage at CMA Fest with Carrie Moore (of Moore & Moore) singing backup. Also on the popular Country Classics show were Moore & Moore, Moe Bandy, Janie Fricke and T. Graham Brown.



Photo Left: Wednesday, June 6th: Here is Gene at the *Countryiest Of The Country* Show held at the Texas Troubadour Theatre (with Billy Yates's band).

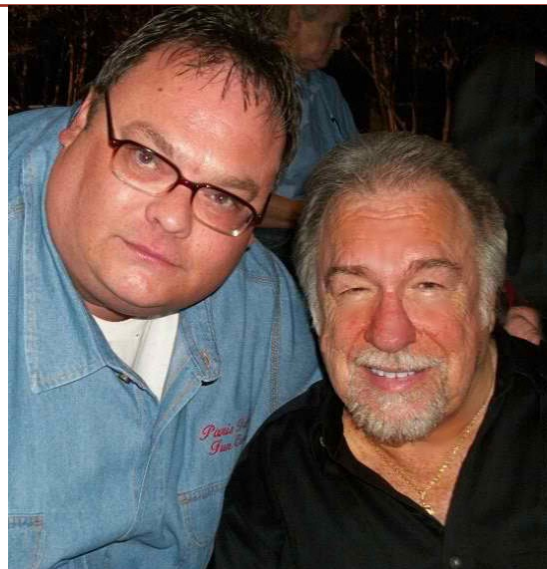
Photo Right: Monday, June 4th: Gene filled in for ailing friend, Lisa McHugh of Ireland, to perform for the CMA International Global Artist Party show held at The Stage.



## Spotlight On David Millsap

**Where do you live?** I call Paris, Texas my home. I live in a small community just outside of Paris called Deport, Texas.

**What was your first job? What is your current occupation?** At 14 I took my first job in radio at KKBI in Broken Bow, Ok. I worked weekends running the board. My parents always support me so they would drive me the 50+ miles every weekend so I could do what I loved. Currently I'm the Operations Manager for a family amusement center in Paris, and co-host a weekly internet radio show called Paris Live Open Mic, [www.parislive.org](http://www.parislive.org).



**What are your Top 5 favorite Gene Watson songs?** WOW! That would be hard to do... I would have to say that my top 5 would be: "A Good Place to Turn Around", "I Catch Myself", "You Can't Take Me With You When You Go", "Between This Time & The Next Time", and "Bottle of Tears".

**Do you have a favorite Gene Watson album that you tend to play most often?** Right now in my CD player I have the "Best of the Best", but Gene recorded 2 albums on Warner Bros... "At Last", and "Back in the Fire" those 2 albums would be my favorite albums.... If you can get your hands on those 2, I would highly recommend them!

**What inspired you to start the process to get a street in Paris named for Gene Watson?**

Doing something to honor Gene has been an idea I have had forever. Once I realized that he would be celebrating 50 years in country music this year, I thought it's now or never. My co-host Robbie Gunn is also a journalist for [inparistexas.com](http://inparistexas.com), and I shared with him my idea of honoring Gene in his hometown, but what could we do??? So I came up with naming a street after him... When I first contacted the City of Paris, I was shot down saying that it would be too costly to change people's addresses, signs, etc! So I went back to the drawing board and then it hit me... Gene plays the Red River Valley Fair every year, so why not name the street that runs through the fairgrounds??? I contacted the City Managers office with that idea. After not hearing anything back, my friend Robbie Gunn & [inparistexas.com](http://inparistexas.com) ran a story on me trying to get the street name. That story was published and in a matter of weeks it had been shared hundreds of times, and I started getting A LOT of positive feedback from his fans all over the world! During the process the City hired a new City Manager John Godwin. So I approached him and his office, and before I knew it, he had added it to the agenda on the next City Counsel meeting. That whole day I was sick to my stomach with butterflies! Once Robbie & I attended the meeting and it passed without any problems it was like winning the lottery! How one guy could make such a change! After the meeting I met with the City Manager and I was asked to present the sign to Gene when he comes home to perform on Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>! Godwin said we'll make a big thing about it, and show Gene how proud we are of him and his amazing accomplishments in country music! I hope all of his fans can make it down to Paris for this event! It's going to be a fun time for all of us!



### Three Country Music Legends

Photo Left: Backstage at the WinStar World Casino in Thackerville, OK, Saturday July 21, 2012. These three country legends brought down the house with their pure country show!

Shown left to right: Gene Watson, Johnny Lee, and TG Sheppard.



Before the show, Gene signs posters from the WinStar World Casino show in Thackerville, OK for the casino's charity events.

Gene and the Farewell Party Band on-stage at the Independence County Fair in Batesville, AR (July 20, 2012)



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## Time Warp

The photo at right was taken in June 2000 at the CMA show, then called FAN FAIR (now CMA Music Fest). Gene is standing just off stage with the unofficial Mayor of Music Row, Charlie Monk. You may have heard Charlie on his Sirius radio show, The Roadhouse. Charlie is one of Music Row's best loved characters and also is a prominent publisher in Nashville.



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## Trivia Contest Winner!

Congratulations to WANDA EVANS of ILLINOIS for correctly answering the question: Name TWO Gene Watson songs containing the word "Paris". Answer: "Nothing Sure Looked Good On You" and "He Little Thinged Her Out Of My Arms".

*Wanda Evans of Illinois!*

For your chance to win an autographed Gene Watson Tee shirt, be sure you are signed up for the FREE newsletter at [www.GeneWatsonMusic.com](http://www.GeneWatsonMusic.com) because only members receive the trivia question!

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## Tour Dates

July 27	RiverWind Casino	Norman, OK
Aug 3	Arlington Music Hall	Arlington, TX
Aug 4	Lions Club Rodeo Arena	Jasper, TX
Aug 10	Choctaw Casino	Grant, OK
Aug 11	Rodgers Theater	Poplar Bluff, MO
Aug 17	The Opera House	Hawkinsville, GA
Aug 18	Bluegrass Festival	Marion, NC
Aug 28 & 29	Auction Barn Jamboree	Colborne, Ontario
Sept 22	NE Arkansas District Fair	Jonesboro, AR
Sept 25	Red River Valley Fair	Paris, TX
Sept 28	Entertainment Center	Renfro Valley, KY
Sept 29	Kentucky Opry	Benton, KY

## Gene Watson — Time Capsule Photos

