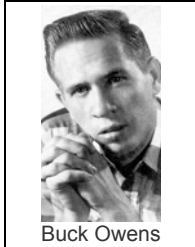




# Midnight Country

with *Woody Adkins*



Buck Owens

*"Real Country, Real Late, Real Gooooood!"*

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Ernest Tubb

### **Woody's Weekly Wonderings**

**April 12, 2006**

As a boy before the demise of Communism in Russia I was fascinated with and concerned by the stories I heard of religious persecution there. I often wondered if I could endure the torture without renouncing my faith. Today even though things have changed in Russia religious persecution still takes place around the world and not just the persecution of those who share my faith. I could open up a whole can of worms right here, but that is not my intention. I believe each person should have the freedom to worship as they see best as long as it does not interfere with the freedom of others to worship. Politicians and religious leaders could and do debate without resolution the opinion I just shared, but that is okay because that is their right. I am thankful the United States still allows me the freedom to say what I have said and that stations like KOPN allow me the freedom to play what I believe makes up a great Classic and Traditional Country Music show. Some might wonder what place Country Gospel has on such a show and be even further perplexed by me doing an Easter Special. Personally I believe you can't separate the two and still do justice to Classic and Traditional Country Music. Faith is as much a part of Country Music as is any other topic dealt with. Country Gospel songs give hope for the situations described so vividly in Country Music. For a long time I believed the two must remain separate. There were times when I would be going through a time of supposed rebellion and thought it pointless to listen to Country Gospel. There were other times when I felt closer to God that I thought I shouldn't be listening to "Regular" Country. These were two extremes; today I strive to stay somewhere in the middle. The Bible does not sugarcoat the struggles and failures of people, but it also does not hide God's grace and forgiveness for those same people. So wherever you are in life I trust you will be able to relate to and be moved by something you hear week to week on Midnight Country. This week of course the focus will be on Faith and the hope we have as a result of Jesus Christ's resurrection. Two subjects County artists over the years have done a Heaven of a great job in dealing with.

Now was my conversation with Ron a pleasant surprise or what?! Honestly I was as surprised as you were. Ron has been fighting a cold and hasn't felt up to talking on the show, but since he was feeling and sounding better I thought it wouldn't hurt to ask. Thankfully he said yes. Of course I would love to visit with Ron on the show every week, but he has voiced concern he might take up too much time and wear out his welcome. Yeah, like that would ever happen. ☺ There have been some concerns though raised by the business office. Apparently they have been overwhelmed with calls from various local employers complaining their productivity is way down on Mondays. The story is that thousands of people are staying up all night listening to MC hoping to hear Ron. There has been some talk of starting the workweek on Tuesday or possibly going to a four-day workweek. I guess it has not occurred to anyone that if we were on earlier it might prevent this problem. ☺ Okay so I made up the part about employers calling, but I was unable to find a sitter for my inner child today and he tends to like to make up stories. ☺ I do know for a fact you all thoroughly enjoy my conversations with the Legendary Ron Lutz. I am still blown away with the fact that just under three years ago Ron called my little, middle of the night Country show. Someone was looking out for me, that is for doggone sure.

I woke up this morning with Mear and Goldie in bed with me. Goldie was lying by my head and Mear was coming and going, resting at times on my chest. Of course Mear and Goldie are my two adorable kitty cats. To say I think the world of them would be the understatement of the year.



**Don't Miss the 2nd Annual  
Midnight Country  
Easter Special!**

**April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2006**

All Country Gospel, All Night!

**He ain't here ya all!  
Hear all about it April  
17<sup>th</sup>. Read all about it in  
the Good Book!**



### Prayer Requests Corner

#### Things to Pray About

Anna Rose as she recovers from her broken elbow.  
Safety and health of all the MC Family.

#### Things to be Thankful For

Kevin Burns' brother **Kent** will be going home soon.  
An empty tomb.  
A chance to play/hear real Country Music.  
(Never hesitate to send in your prayer requests)  
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#### Spotlight Theme on the Apr. 17th Edition of MC



After losing Bronco in November I have been keenly aware of the fact that they will not be with me forever. I try, though not always successfully, to let them know I love them each day. I have also been blessed with Kelly the sweetest girlfriend in the whole world. Sometimes it seems harder to convey how much you love the "humans" in your life, but I cherish each moment I am able to spend with Kelly. I just wish the show was on earlier so you too would be able to get to know her more. Yet like so many who would enjoy the music we play she has to get up bright and early Monday. So she often only hears the beginning of MC or has to listen to the recording later. Kelly has a very big heart and an extra soft spot for dogs. She has three dogs all of which were rescues. They are Darth, Sergey and Sarah. Darth and Sarah went with Kelly and I to bury Bronco back in November. Someone told me after Bronco died, "Now don't get too attached to her dogs." Of course it was already too late. They are all three sweet, loving dogs and like Bronco they love nothing more than your undivided attention as you pet them. If Kelly's life ever slows down a bit I hope she will share about herself and her kids on the MC Family page. Kelly's love of dogs extends beyond her own dogs. She was the first person I called when I discovered something was seriously wrong with Bronco. She cancelled all her day's activities to be with me as Bronco was fighting for his life and then as I went to lay him to rest. Quite a woman let me tell ya. The other day I was in a meeting and Kelly called my cell. I didn't think too much of it since she knew I was in the meeting I figured she would just leave a message, but the phone kept vibrating indicating she was still trying to get my attention and needed to talk to me right then. I left the meeting and called her back. As often happens she had seen a dog running loose, so she stopped her car at a four way stop and got out to try and get info off the dog's collar. Unfortunately when she closed the car door the car locked with the car running and the keys in it. So there she was stuck at a remote four way stop with a locked running car and a stray puppy dog. She of course called the number on the dog's collar and the vet tried to contact the owners who didn't answer. I was able to stop by a locksmith's who talked to her, found out where she was and then headed out there. I would have been ticked off about having to put out \$45 trying to rescue a dog that wasn't even mine, but not Kelly. She was more concerned about getting the dog back to its owner and the dollars meant nothing when compared to helping an innocent puppy dog. If there were more Kellys in the world the world would be a much better place. I love you Kelly! ☺

I found out too late that Monday was June's 39 and holdin' birthday. Happy Birthday June! I hope you and Charles didn't get too carried away celebrating Monday night. ☺ Anna Rose is still recovering from her broken elbow; it has been a real pain in her...you guessed it "elbow". As a result she has been suffering from the side affect CTTLOTPS. For those of you who didn't go to Redneck Medical School that is "Can't Talk Too Long On the Phone Syndrome." I sometimes forget and start to talk her leg off, she then gets kind of quiet and then I remember to ask if her arm is getting tired or hurting. I'm a little slow sometimes. ☺ I want to say "Hi" to Ruby and Chip, ain't heard from ya in a while and we haven't crossed paths at Lucy's lately. Hope you are both doing okay. I want to also say "Hey" to my old friend Curtis who e-mailed me last week. He is of course the friend who I said I had seen Alabama in Iowa with back when Alabama was just getting big. My bubby John got a kick out of that statement, said he was trying to figure out how we saw the state of Alabama in Iowa. Ol' John is a character. ☺ Actually Curtis and I go back even further than the Alabama concert, we attended school together for 11 years at the Kirksville Bible School. I think they had us misread, we were pretty good kids and turned out okay even if I do say so myself. Have a great week and tune in Sunday afternoon, Monday morning and Tuesday afternoon, Woody

#### The Ol' Midnight Country Depot



(Information provided by MC Family member **Conductor Chip**)

#### Arrivals:

Arrival: Apr. 6, 1937: **Merle Haggard** in Bakersfield, CA  
Arrival: Apr. 7, 1935: **Bobby Bare** in Ironton, OH  
Arrival: Apr. 9, 1932: **Carl Perkins** in Tiptonville, TN [Departure: Jan. 19, 1998]  
Arrival: Apr. 12, 1957: **Vince Gill** in Norman, OK

#### Departures:

Apr. 6, 1998: **Tammy Wynette** [Arrival: May 5, 1942 in Itawamba County, MS]  
Apr. 9, 1997: **Mae Axton** (DJ and writer of "Heartbreak Hotel") in Nashville, TN [Arrival: Sept. 14, 1914 in Bardwell, TX]

Apr. 12, 1999: **Boxcar Willie** (aka Lecil Travis Martin) [Arrival: Sep 1, 1931 in Sterret, TX]

#### Past Week's Spotlight Artist A & D:

Arrival: Feb. 9, 1914: **Ernest Tubb** in Crisp, TX [Departure: Sept. 6, 1984 in Nashville, TN]

What better way to spend Easter Sunday afternoon than by listening to real Country Music! Don't forget Woody will be hosting Root'n Toot'n Radio from Noon to 3:00 on Sunday April 16<sup>th</sup>!

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