



# Jeannie Seely

## *Accomplishments*



- On September 16, 1967, Jeannie became a member of the world famous Grand Ole Opry on which she still performs weekly; Jeannie remains the only Pennsylvania native to be invited to become an Opry member
- Jeannie became only the third female to receive a Grammy Award in country music (1966 Best Country Vocal Performance by a Female for the song "Don't Touch Me")
- Jeannie has scored No. 1 hit songs as a solo artist, as a duet partner, and as a songwriter; Jeannie's recording of "Don't Touch Me" is ranked at No. 97 in *Country Music's 500 Greatest Singles* published by the Country Music Foundation Press
- Jeannie's deeply moving vocals solidified her reputation as a country torch singer and earned her the nickname of "Miss Country Soul", a title that is still used today
- Jeannie was named "Most Promising New Artist" by national trade publications Billboard, Cashbox and Record World
- For 13 consecutive years Jeannie placed records on the Billboard country singles chart
- Jeannie recorded over a dozen albums of her own, and her vocals can be heard on over 75 additional compilation albums and CDs, including *Clinch Mountain Sweethearts*, the International Bluegrass Music Association's "Recorded Event of the Year"; Jeannie's most recent CD, *Vintage Country*, was released in early 2011
- An awarded songwriter, Jeannie's songs have been recorded by Country Music Hall of Fame Members Faron Young, Merle Haggard, Ray Price, Willie Nelson, Ernest Tubb and Little Jimmy Dickens, as well as many other artists including Dottie West, Connie Smith, Irma Thomas, Norma Jean, Tex Williams, Lorrie Morgan, Jack Greene and Doyle Lawson
- Jeannie appeared in Willie Nelson's *Honeysuckle Rose* movie and sang on the platinum soundtrack album
- The star of major stage productions including *Always...Patsy Cline*, *The Best Little Whorehouse In Texas*, *Could It Be Love*, *Takin' It Home* and *Everybody Loves Opal*, Jeannie continues to perform as an actress and appeared in the movie *Changing Hearts*
- Jeannie published her own successful book of witticisms titled *Pieces Of A Puzzled Mind*
- Widely recognized for changing the image of female country performers, Jeannie is credited for wearing the first mini-skirt on the Grand Ole Opry stage; She was also the first female to regularly host Opry segments, and she is the only female to regularly appear as a headlining artist on the annual Grand Ole Opry Cruise
- With Jack Greene, Jeannie formed one of the most successful duos and road shows in country music history; Performing everywhere from New York's Madison Square Garden to London's Wembley Arena to her hometown area's Cross Creek Resort, the duo received several Grammy nominations and were considered forerunners in opening doors and bringing country music to wider audiences around the world
- Jeannie served as a radio disc jockey on her own Armed Forces Network Show and traveled on military tours throughout Europe and Asia
- Jeannie has received numerous honors, awards and accolades throughout her long career
- Jeannie is actively involved in numerous charitable, community and civic organizations and projects; She received the prestigious Colonel Aide-de-Camp Award from Tennessee Governor Phil Bredesen; Jeannie is proud to serve as a longtime spokesperson for the Humane Society