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About

Don’t tell Terry Johnson that dreams don’t come true. Just a country boy from Tyler Texas, Terry spent his childhood in Texas and Arkansas, fishing, messing around on boats, and working hard at school. He earned an MBA from Texas A&M and went on to build a successful career in the technology industry.
In the summer of 1973, before his sophomore year at college, Terry was working as a carpenter’s assistant at a golf club outside Austin. One night after work one of the golfers knocked on his trailer door. It was Willie Nelson. The Red-Headed Stranger passed on a few tunes playing songs for Terry for almost two hours on one of his road guitars, an old National. Ever since that summer night, Terry has been Willie’s #1 fan. He would go on to sing those same songs thousands of times, practicing Willie’s signature soulful baritone for friends and family and, eventually, around dark and smoky karaoke bars in Northwest Arkansas. He would hold onto that National guitar for the rest of his life.
One winter night in 2022, at a spot outside Branson, Missouri, a Legends in Concert associate heard Terry sing, “Always on My Mind”, and walked over to his table. “Who are you?” He asked. “Nobody,” said Terry. “Man, I have never heard anyone who sounded exactly like Willie Nelson before. I am with Legends in Concert and you really need to come in and audition.
Things happened pretty fast after that, and the next thing Terry knew he was given the opportunity to perform at Legends in Concert in Branson as Willie. This

marked an important new chapter in Terry's life, fulfilling a lifelong goal of making people happy by singing their favorite Willie's songs in front of a real audience. Here's to the Legends in Concert team that believed in a 67-year-old retired businessman who just so happened to sing like Willie and had always wanted to perform in front of an audience just like you.

Short bio

Terry Johnson performs Willie Nelson's songs in a soulful baritone shaped by decades of singing for friends, family, and audiences. His repertoire includes Always on My Mind, delivered as Shotgun Willie Live by a lifelong Willie Nelson fan.

Full press bio

Terry Johnson is a lifelong Willie Nelson fan who has spent decades singing Willie's songs and practicing his signature soulful baritone. His repertoire includes Always on My Mind and other songs he first learned in 1973 after Willie Nelson played for him on an old National guitar. After years of performing for friends, family, and in karaoke bars, Terry began performing as Willie at Legends in Concert in Branson. Shotgun Willie Live brings that familiar sound and long-held connection to Willie's music to a live audience.

Tagline

Shotgun Willie Live: Terry Johnson singing Willie Nelson's songs in Willie's soulful baritone

Photos





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