

Me & My Family



About Me

I was born on 19th January 1946. Some other people born in the same year as me include;

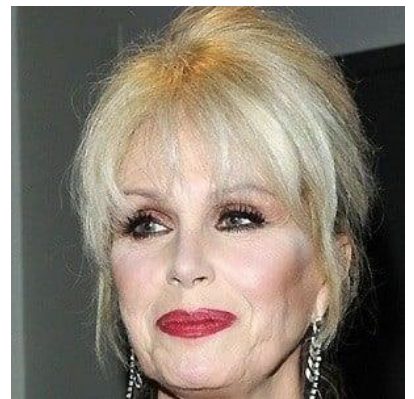
Bill Clinton



Liza Minelli



Joanna Lumley



Me



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I was born at home in Pittman Centre, Tennessee to my parents Robert and Avie Lee on 19th January 1946. I am the 4th of 12 children. My siblings are Willadeene, David Wilburn, Coy Denver, Stella Mae, Cassie Nan, Randy Huston, Larry Gerald, Floyd Estel, Freida Estelle and her twin Rachel Ann. Sadly Larry die when he was just 4 days old and my brothers Floyd and Randy have also passed away.

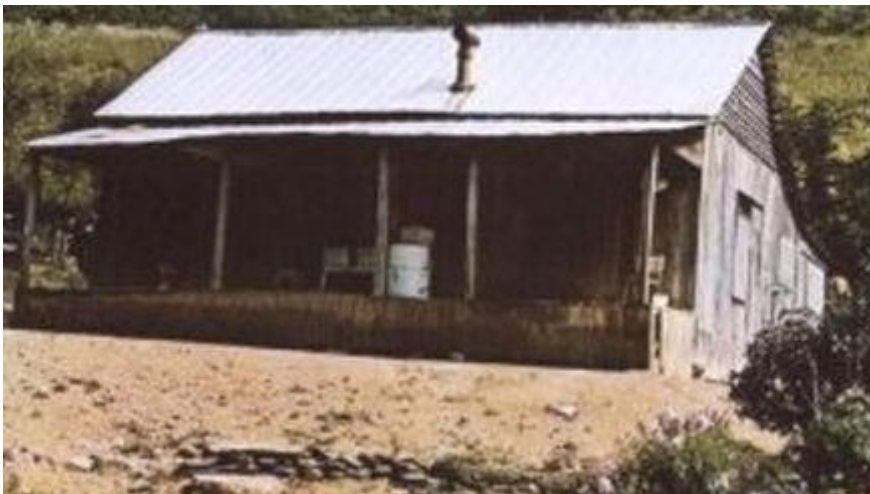


My parents, siblings and me

My dad was a farmer and worked on construction sites to earn extra money to support our large family. My mom stayed home and looked after us all.

We moved to a farm on Locust Ridge when I was a child. My grandfather Jake Owens was a Pentecostal preacher in the Church of God and it was from him and my mother that I inherited my musical abilities. My earliest public appearances were singing in church as a child.

I went to Sevier County High School.



Our house at Locust Ridge



Me as a child

I met my husband Carl in 1964 outside a laundromat in Nashville, Tennessee when I was 18 years old. Two years later in 1966 we were married in Ringgold, Georgia. Carl ran an asphalt business. While I pursued my musical career.



Our wedding

Carl and I don't have any children as I had endometriosis and had to have a hysterectomy. However we have many nieces and nephews who we

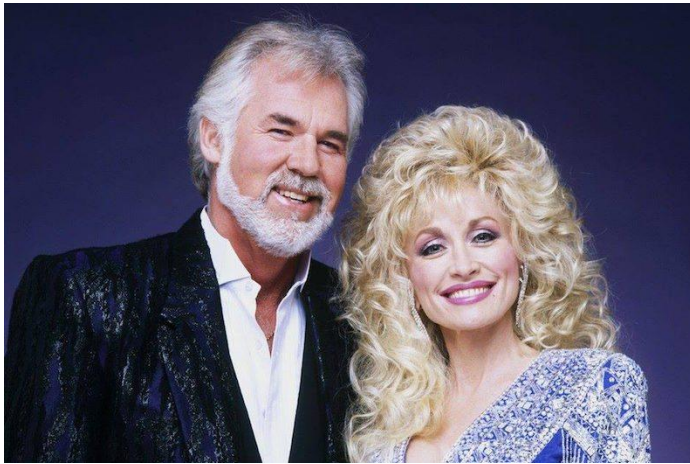
are close to and helped to raise. I am godmother to Miley Cyrus.



Miley and me

Friends

I have many good friends. Most of whom I have met through my musical and acting career. Two of my best friends are Jane Fonda and Kenny Rogers. Sadly Kenny died last year.



Kenny and me



Jane and me