
Little Jimmy Dickens 60th Opry Anniversary Signature Show Set for November 1

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NASHVILLE, Tenn. (September 29, 2008)- The Grand Ole Opry® presented by Cracker Barrel Old Country Store® will honor its longest-standing member, Little Jimmy Dickens, with a Signature Show celebrating the Country Music Hall of Fame member's 60th Opry Anniversary on Sat., Nov. 1 at the Grand Ole Opry House. Among the artists scheduled to participate in the celebration are friends and fellow Opry members Trace Adkins, George Jones, and Brad Paisley.

Introduced by Roy Acuff in 1948, Dickens-- always decked in his rhinestone-studded suits-- has entertained Opry audiences with a succession of hits such as "A-Sleeping at the Foot of the Bed," "Out Behind The Barn," "Take an Old Cold Tater And Wait" (the song that prompted Hank Williams to dub him "Tater"), "May The Bird of Paradise Fly up Your Nose," "Country Boy," and "The Violet and the Rose" as well as his trademark comedic timing.

The legendary entertainer shares a kinship with the entire Opry family and the country music community, including Adkins, whom he invited to join the Opry from atop a kitchen ladder on the Opry stage in 2003; Jones, with whom he has shared stages for 50 years; and Paisley, who has invited him to appear in a number of award-winning music videos.

"Jimmy Dickens is uniquely and forever tied to the Grand Ole Opry," said Pete Fisher, Opry vice president and general manager. "He is one of the most beloved and respected people in the history of not only the Opry, but all of country music, and we are thrilled to celebrate this landmark anniversary with him." The Grand Ole Opry® is presented by Cracker Barrel Old Country Store®. Opry performances are held every weekend of the year, and the Tuesday Night Opry continues through Dec. 18.