

## **The Fall - Jim and Lynna Woosley**

Introducing two of the most talented, ear-pleasing and heart-warming singer-songwriters Americana and folk music has to offer, **Jim and Lynna Woolsey**. If they haven't graced your radio dial or a stage near you with their incredible organic sound yet, trust me, there is no time to lose.

Moving forward towards the year of the pandemic, Jim and Lynna had begun working on a Christian faith based novel that served as a collection of stories from their lives. It was something that Lynna always dreamed of doing and suddenly, it was becoming a reality. They engaged the help of **David Morris**, well known journalist and songwriter in the political arena and Bluegrass industry, as well as Nashville based, **Wayne Hastings**, accomplished Christian publisher and speaker, to assist them in writing and editing their work. As they began sharing their book with their peers to gain shareable thoughts and quotes about their life stories, one thing became entirely evident. People were incredibly moved by this book and by all that the Woolsey's had shared.

Jim and Lynna had also decided to gather a collection of songs on a CD to accompany the book release. Each of the Gospel songs they have written had also come from these events that took place in their lives, so it all made perfect sense to assemble those compositions in one place as well. They set to work collecting those songs which were already on other projects, as well as writing four brand new songs to record.

This grand new project, book and CD is titled **THE FALL**, and will be released by **Bell Buckle Records** in 2021. The first single, "Calling Out Your Name," is available to radio now on Airplay Direct, and is expected worldwide on February 6th. The book can be purchased online at Amazon, or from the Woolsey's, through their website at <http://www.jimandlynnawoolsey.com/>.

Performing and writing music together for nearly three decades, this dynamic and talented power couple, Jim and Lynna Woolsey finally decided in 2016 it was time to record a commercial CD with studio musicians. HEART AND SOUL, BLOOD AND BONE was born, and anyone who heard it, is grateful to them for that every day.

For HEART AND SOUL, BLOOD AND BONE, they called Randy Kohrs, owner/engineer of Slack Key Studios in Nashville, TN, and the rest is history. Randy not only produced and engineered the record, but the award winning musician also played resonator guitar & sang harmony. Mike Sumner co-produced and played banjo, Clay Hess added the mandolin tracks, Mark Fain added the upright bass track, and Tim Crouch provided outstanding fiddle.

The album remained on the bluegrass charts for more than 10 months, solidifying it's status not only as a hit, but as a quality project that will be around for years to come. The record established legacy and prestige and made the Woolsey's very proud.

*“Jim and Lynna Woolsey have made a beautiful recording. Debuting their thoughts, family stories, honest emotions, true grit and heart, They tell the tales a few minutes at a time. A few minutes is all it takes to fall in love with their music.”*

*-Randy Kohrs*

*“Jim and Lynna Woolsey are two of my favorite songwriters and singers-and a vital part of the Woodsong Farm Writers Community for two years. They have more than talent and determination. They have that magical quality of being tuned in to real life, attention to the small stuff, and open heartedness that makes for great songs, and great friends.”*

*— Louisa Branscomb*

*"The songwriting, musical creativity, guest artists and performances of these original songs is refreshing and powerful. I hope you enjoy the journey you're about to take with Jim and Lynna as much as I do."*

*— Mike Sumner*

In 2018, during the IBMA festivities in Raleigh, NC, Jim and Lynna Woolsey signed their first professional recording contract with Bonfire Recording Company, the "sister" label to Pinecastle Records. Bonfire released Jim and Lynna's debut project for them in April 2019 titled, LONG AGO. The new project once again showcased the incredible songwriting talent and strong vocals that the husband and wife duo deliver.

Jim and Lynna travel with a full band of great professional musicians from their region in the great bluegrass state of Indiana! The band includes: Jim Woolsey, lead guitar/lead vocal, Lynna Woolsey, rhythm guitar/lead vocal, David Foster, bass/lead and harmony vocal, Mike Curtis, resonator guitar, and Brian Lever, banjo.

Born into a family of musicians, Jim began playing with the popular local band, The Patoka Valley Boys when he was just fifteen years old. Soon after, he and Lynna met and married, and she also started playing and singing in the same band. In 1979, a documentary was made about the band and is still visible online, Tough, Pretty or Smart which was produced for public television by Dick Cane and Dillon Buston.

As a single act or in a band, Jim has shared the stage with acts like The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, Andy Williams, Marty Robbins and more. Both Jim and Lynna have won various bluegrass awards for Old Time Vocals, Guitar, Mandolin as well as many band titles. In 2002 and 2003, their band Fields of Home, won first place in the Indiana Picking and Fiddling Contest. Jim and Lynna have performed together at the Bluebird Café in Nashville and Goldie's Opera House in Owensboro, KY. They also won the Kentucky Fried Chicken Talent Hunt, in 1989. Jim was even a contestant on You Can Be a Star. Through it all, the Woolsey's have remained grounded and close to their community, family and their church.

*"Community is very important to us and we often give benefit performances. We also sing at churches in the tri-state, Indiana, Illinois and Kentucky. We love being able to lend a hand to the community that has supported us over the years and those in need of help," comments Lynna.*