

Mark Anthony

Biography



Mark Anthony is originally from the NE and got his start in Folk/Rock groups while attending the University of Connecticut, graduating with a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology and a minor in Music. Upon graduation, Mark toured New England for 5 years with the Acoustic Band "On The Road Again", culminating in a six week Tour in the U.S. Virgin Islands. He returned home to play in several Rock Bands until he discovered the new Country styles of the 80's, forming the Country/Rock Band, "Caribou" – the only CT Band to win the State Finals in the Dodge/True Value Hardware Country Showdown. Mark moved to Nashville in 1987 to pursue becoming an Artist and started appearing as a Songwriter, eventually performing on local TV where he was chosen to represent Nashville in the Discovery Television's National Talent Search. Out of 100 contestants Nationwide, he was selected as First Runner Up, attracting the ear of BMI's Jody Williams. Mark soon met 'Johnny B', a champion Bluegrass Dobro player. The two hit it off and became an acoustic duo. In 2016, after a 20 year hiatus, they reunited and in 2019 Mark formed an all original Band designed to be a Live Demo of his music, The Mark Anthony Ensemble.



In 2021, he made a major change in the Band's instrumentation, signed with Iron Gate Records in Nashville as an Independent Recording Artist and released his first Single, "Running Away". Since then, he has released (11) Singles on 80+ music platforms worldwide with his first 6 song EP planned to be out in 2025, entitled "Exodus".

Mark is a BMI Singer/Songwriter/Guitarist and has been an Actor in Feature Films & Commercials, performed on Discovery Television's National Talent Search, WSMV Channel 4's "Today in Nashville" Show, interviewed on WZTV Fox 17's "Rock & Review" Show Hosted by Eric Dahl, WTVC Channel 9 in Chattanooga and on several Independent Radio Station Podcasts nationwide. Mark continues to write his own unique style of Americana music and perform live shows throughout the SE with his Band, the Mark Anthony Ensemble.

Mark is a Born Again, Evangelical Christian and has a deep, abiding Faith in God that shows up in every area of his life. His song, "The Mystery" reflects his own personal Testimony. He has 2 Brothers - Frank, a Retired Industrial Fireman & Greg, a Retired Air Force Lt. Colonel. Mark loves his children and values all things pertaining to traditional family values. He has 2 Sons - Mark, a Personal Trainer in Dallas and married to Cheslie, his high school sweetheart. Matthew, his youngest Son, lives in Nashville and was once a touring Drummer for the Kingston Springs Band. He also has 2 Step Daughters - Mrs. Kayla Kruger, a wonderful wife & mother to Mark's only Grandson, Copeland & Ms. Kim Mannausa, a Lawyer in Washington, D.C.

Mark is married to the love of his life, Vicky, a retired school teacher from Bradenton, FL and a Certified Pastoral Counselor. Together they operate a part time business called Waymaker Ministries, counseling people and restoring broken Marriages. In his spare time, Mark likes to play golf, tennis and has become a fan of pickleball. He continues to write & perform music and resides in Historic Franklin, TN.

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