

Patsy Cline's Lost Holiday Song 'Christmas Without You' Finds New Life and Global Acclaim

THE VILLAGES, FL, UNITED STATES, December 12, 2024 / EINPresswire.com/ -- Nearly 60 years after country music icon Patsy Cline made her Grand Ole Opry debut, a holiday gem she commissioned but never recorded, "Christmas Without You," is capturing hearts around the world. Dubbed "Patsy Cline's Lost Christmas Song," the tune has found new life through award-winning indie country artist Luanne Hunt and other performers spanning the globe.

Originally written in the early 1960s by songwriters Lawton Jiles and Charles (Buster) Beam at Cline's request, "Christmas Without You" was intended to be her signature holiday hit. However, due to a label decision at the



time, the song's lyrics were changed to create the non-seasonal tune "How Can I Face Tomorrow?"—a move that left Cline heartbroken when the alternate version fell flat on the charts.

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Christmas Without You' is so heartfelt and memorable—Patsy Cline's fans would have adored it." *Luanne Hunt* Jiles reflected on Cline's original vision:

"Buster and I wrote the song for Patsy, and she absolutely loved it. If she had recorded 'Christmas Without You,' I truly believe it would have become a holiday standard."

Luanne Hunt's Impactful Recording

In 2009, indie country star Luanne Hunt brought Cline's

original dream to life when she recorded and released "Christmas Without You." Hunt's version has since earned international acclaim, including a coveted spot on Dagens Nyheter's (Sweden's largest daily newspaper) Top 25 Christmas Songs of All Time. The song has also topped multiple European country music charts and garnered nearly 600,000 views on YouTube.

A Global Phenomenon

Since its release, "Christmas Without You" has been covered by numerous artists, including Ireland's Rosalind Clare, Honolulu-based Davelynn, and acclaimed New York jazz/blues vocalist Tara O'Grady. The song has further resonated across popular social media platforms and publications such as Universal Music's UDiscover Music, Country Rebel, Country Music Nation, and Classic Country Music.

A Timeless Holiday Song

Hunt, honored to have been entrusted with the song, believes its simplicity is the key to its success:

"The simple songs are the ones people love the most. 'Christmas Without You' is so heartfelt and memorable—Patsy Cline's fans would have adored it."

Watch the Story Behind the Song

Experience the rich history and emotional journey of "Christmas Without You" through its story on YouTube: <u>Watch Here</u>.

About Luanne Hunt

Luanne Hunt is an award-winning independent country artist known for her soulful interpretations and timeless sound. With multiple chart-topping hits and critical accolades, Hunt continues to captivate audiences worldwide.

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