STING 21301 Forever in Blue Jeans

Singing Call MS-51

Original artist: Neil Diamond

vocal by: Tony Oxendine

Hanhurst's Best Seller listing (March 2015) – No.1

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Originally Released as part of the 2013 Edition of the Sting Productions Ambassador Club (see the home page for more details about this)

Neil Diamond is an American singer-songwriter whose career began in the 1960s, to date he has sold over 125 million records worldwide, making him one of the most best-selling artists of all time. He is the third most successful adult contemporary artist on the Billboard charts behind Barbra Streisand and Elton John. His songs have been covered internationally by many performers from various musical genres. An outstanding and accomplished showman whose name is synonymous with success!

The intention on this recording was to retain as much of the original style of presentation, as possible but transposed into a Square Dance format; the structure of the song needed a few "tweaks" to achieve this but we did manage to get a good end result. Our Nashville players enjoyed working with a tune that they knew and appreciated the opportunity to play on such a renowned popular song. This tune works really well as a Square Dance tune - and will, undoubtedly, prove popular to dancers of all ages!

Additional Lyrics:

Money talks
But it don't sing and dance - and it don't walk
And long as I can have you here with me
I'd much rather be - Forever in blue jeans

Maybe tonight Maybe tonight, by the fire all alone you and I Nothing around but the sound of my heart and your sighs

Honey's sweet But it ain't nothin' next to baby's treat And if you pardon me - I'd like to say We'll do okay - Forever in blue jeans

Where, When and Who produced the music:

This was part of the fifteenth group of releases that were recorded in Nashville, during March 2012. A total of fifteen songs were recorded during this session, which was the tenth to be arranged and produced by Paul Bristow, with the help and assistance of his younger daughter - Cherish.

As in previous years, the music features the top musicians in Nashville: Gregg Galbraith – as band leader playing all Lead Guitars, Doug Jernigan on Steel and Dobro, Roger Morris on Piano and Keyboards, Fiddle by Rob Hojacos, David Smith on Bass Guitar, Bruce Watkins playing Rhythm Guitar and Banjo, Mike Schrimpf on Harmonica and Jerry Kroon on Drums. As always Kevin McManus was the engineer.

Sting Productions Ambassador Club:

This was the third session to have been underwritten by the members of the Sting Productions Ambassador Club; a group of Callers who worked together to choose the tunes and who contributed, financially, to the costs of producing and distributing the music.