

# Mp3 Gerald Nelson - Songs I Wrote For Elvis

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60's rock Elvis Presley movie submission 19 MP3 Songs ROCK: 60's Rock, POP: 60's Pop Details: Songs I wrote for Elvis I thought it might be fun to put together a CD of the original demonstration recordings of songs that I wrote for Elvis Presley. Some he recorded, some he didnt. He was such a good friend and I respected his friendship so much that I never ask him to record any of my work. Lamar Fike or Freddy Beanstalk put those that he did in his hands. Usually they would send me a script and say: Write something for this movie. For the most part that was either fun or insane. Fun: Dominique My Bull I think that was for the Stay Away Joe film wherein he buys a bull to breed, the bull turns out to be gay and wont perform that for which he was purchased. He gets the idea for he and his Indian girl friend to show the bull what to do! They didnt use this song in the movie, perhaps today they might? Another fun write was The Chicken Scratch. Lots of laughter in the studio when I was trying to make the guitar sound like a chicken. Insane: Yoga Is As Yoga Does Now how does one go about writing a song around that title? I thought that this scripted nonsense has to be a joke. It turned out to be the absolute worst Song I ever heard! This crazy composition was used in the Easy Come Easy Go movie along with two others that are on this CD, Sing You Children and The Love Machine. There were four songs in this movie. I wrote three of them. The best song of the four that I submitted was Easy Come, Easy Go, they didnt use that one. Go figure. The Elvis movie producers passed on a song Lazy Love Affair, for which film I forget. But the demo recording that you can hear on this CD, was later used in two movies: Miami Blue and Caged Fear. He recorded If I Were You and put it in the Love Letters album. Oddly enough this song, even today, gets quite a bit of airplay and sales around the world. Its the only non-movie song of mine that was ever submitted to him. For those of you who like tid-bits here is an interesting one for you. A contemporary standard, Tragedy, was written by Fred Burch and me. The song has sold millions and millions of records and has been recorded by 20-25 different artists over the years. We wrote the song for Elvis! Chet Atkins was Elviss producer at RCA at the time and I sent it to Chet for Elvis. Chet passed on the song. Years later Chet told me that he missed on that one, but that he would make it up to me He did. He recorded it in years to come by Charlie Rich, Floyd Cramer, and the Anita Kerr Singers. I didnt include it in this

collection because Paul McCartney later purchased the publishing, you know that Beatle boy, and it is too much trouble to get a license for use in a little project like this. I hope you get some fun out of listening to some of this stuff. By the way check out If I Were You and Tragedy by KATHIA, the Midnight Madness album on CD Baby. Com. Shes a great talent! Gerald Nelson

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