


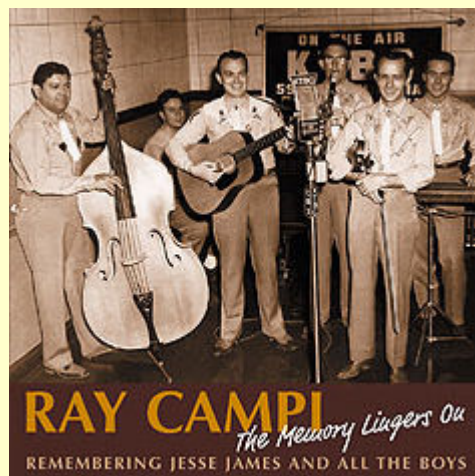


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ARTIST	RAY CAMPI
TITLE	The Memory Lingers On
	Remembering Jesse James And All The Boys
LABEL	Bear Family Records
CATALOG #	BCD 16746
PRICE-CODE	AH
ISBN-CODE	3-89916-092-4
EAN-CODE	 4000127167460
FORMAT	CD with 24-page booklet
GENRE	Country
TRACKS	17
PLAYING TIME	45:56



- 17 Songs
- Great tribute to the local Austin music legend Jesse James
- This is the follow-up to the successful Ray Campi project: Taylor, Texas (Tribute to Jimmy Heap)

SALES NOTES

For all lovers of Texas music, this is a rare treat! It's an affectionate tribute from one great underappreciated artist to another. In the 1940s, **Ray Campi** moved from New York to Austin, Texas, and grew up with an enduring love of Texas beerjoint music. Chief among his heroes was **Jesse James**, a transplanted Mississippian who led a western swing dance band. In a time when music was far more regionalized than it is now, Jesse James was a local legend, playing to packed houses wherever he went. Today, he mostly survives in memory. He made a few recordings for Blue Bonnet and 4-Star, but none of those capture the excitement of his live shows...an excitement that Ray Campi does his best to re-create here. Songs like *Flying Saucer Mama* and *Ray Mop* capture the western dance band craze at its zenith. "As I write these reminiscences," says Ray Campi in his text, "I can picture in my mind's eye the gold 1947 Desoto limousine, its rack on the top brimming with instrument cases, with Junior driving, heading south on Congress Avenue around 5.00 p.m., delivering Jesse and the Boys to music-craving outposts like Bandera, La Grange, Bastrop, Dimebox, San Marcos, and Houston, Texas for another night of picking, dancing, and fun for all. It's a thrill to be able to relive the songs I heard so beautifully played by good fellows who befriended this star-struck kid long ago."

Let Ray Campi take you back to a place and time where few of us have been: a by-God Texas beerjoint, circa 1949.

TRACK LISTING

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| 1. Jesse Polka | 10. Darlin' I Don't Understand |
| 2. When Jole Blon And Kilroy Got Married | 11. The Hot Canary |
| 3. Blue Bonnet Polka | 12. I've Got The Craziest Feeling |
| 4. What Can I Do To Get You Back | 13. Merry Widow Waltz |
| 5. New Goodnight Waltz | 14. Billy's Tune |
| 6. Piano Pete's Boogie | 15. Flying Saucer Mama |
| 7. Will Tomorrow Bring Me You | 16. Hog Calling Champ Of Arkansas |
| 8. Swinging On The Steel | 17. Palomino Polka |
| 9. Rag Mop | |

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