



# BEAR FAMILY RECORDS

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## ARTIST TITLE

**Jim Reeves**  
**The Complete ABBOTT Recordings, plus**

## LABEL CATALOG # PRICE-CODE EAN-CODE

Bear Family Productions  
BCD 17356  
CR



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## FORMAT GENRE TRACKS PLAYING TIME

3-CD Mini-Box (CD-size) with ca.100-page booklet  
Country  
76  
204:47



- For the first time ever the early Jim Reeves sessions are correctly documented.
- East Texas Country Music expert Kevin Coffey reviewed the original session tapes with the help of David Bussey, and Coffey also interviewed many of the original musicians.
- Additional information were supplied by Arie den Dulk.
- 76 tracks in all – nearly three-and-a-half hours of early Jim Reeves!
- The accompanying booklet features many rare photos of Reeves and the musicians.

## INFORMATION

July 31, 2014 marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the tragic death of the legendary Jim Reeves. To mark the occasion, BEAR FAMILY is revisiting Reeves' early catalog with a definitive three CD set of all the recordings Gentleman Jim made prior to signing with RCA in 1955. This historic collection contains every surviving take – and even some partial takes – of his three year association with Faber Robison's ABBOTT RECORDS. Not only is every ABBOTT performance included, but so are all surviving false starts and studio chatter, giving a much fuller picture of Jim Reeves in the recording studio – in all, nearly three-and-a-half hours of early Jim Reeves. The set is enhanced with an app. 100-page book featuring rare and unpublished photos from the period.

The project, overseen by veteran Reeves expert David Bussey, also contains much new discographical research into the ABBOTT era, shedding new light on many mysteries previously assumed to be unsolvable. In addition to the ABBOTT recordings, the collection also includes Reeves' 1949 recordings for MACY'S and a handful of early 1950s demo recordings that trace his development leading into the ABBOTT era.

Heard alongside Reeves at his earthiest in this collection are a number of legendary musicians such as steel guitarists Bobby Garrett, Jimmy Day and Speedy West, pianist Floyd Cramer, fiddlers Big Red and Little Red Hayes and Harold Hensley, and many others. This is a must-have, not just for the Reeves fan but for any fan of classic country music. If you think you know Jim Reeves, think again.



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## TRACK LISTING

**CD 1:** My Heart's Like A Welcome Mat • I've Never Been So Blue • Teardrops Of Regret • Chicken Hearted • I Could Cry • Wagon Load Of Love • You're The Sweetest Thing • I Could Cry • Wagon Load Of Love • Wagon Load Of Love • What Were You Doing Last Night • I Could Cry • You're The Sweetest Thing • Each Beat Of My Heart • Each Beat Of My Heart • Heart Breaking Baby • You're The Sweetest Thing • Heart Breaking Baby • Whispering Willow • If You Love Me Don't Leave Me • Then I'll Stop Loving You • Then I'll Stop Loving You • Let Me Love You Just A Little

**CD 2:** Mexican Joe • Mexican Joe • Butterfly Love • Let Me Remember (Things I Can't Forget) • Let Me Remember (Things I Can't Forget) • A Woman's Love • A Woman's Love • Let Me Love You Just A Little • El Rancho Del Rio • El Rancho Del Rio • El Rancho Del Rio • El Rancho Del Rio • It's Hard To Love Just One • Gypsy Heart • I Love You (& **Ginny Wright**) • Bimbo • Echo Bonita • Then I'll Stop Loving You • Then I'll Stop Loving You • Then I'll Stop Loving You • My Rambling Heart • My Rambling Heart • My Rambling Heart • Give Me One More Kiss • Give Me One More Kiss

**CD 3:** Tahiti • Tahiti • Spanish Violins • Hillbilly Waltz • Hillbilly Waltz • Hillbilly Waltz • Hillbilly Waltz • Padre Of Old San Antone • Padre Of Old San Antone • Beatin' On A Ding Dong • Beatin' On A Ding Dong • Beatin' On A Ding Dong • Beatin' On A Ding Dong • Mother Went A-Walkin' • Mother Went A-Walkin' • Penny Candy • Penny Candy • I'll Follow You • I'll Follow You • I'll Follow You • Where Does A Broken Heart Go? • The Wilder Your Heart Beats The Sweeter You Love • The Wilder Your Heart Beats The Sweeter You Love • Drinking Tequila • Red Eyed And Rowdy • Are You The One (& **Alvadean Coker**) • How Many • How Many

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