

# BEAR FAMILY RECORDS



## PRODUCT INFO (CD) February 1, 2019

Artist **Various Artists**  
Title **The Great Tragedy  
Winter Dance Party 1959**  
Label Bear Family Productions  
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- **February 3, 1959 will always be remembered as 'the day the music died.'**
- **Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and The Big Bopper died in a plane crash.**
- **Tribute CD with key titles from these rock 'n' roll stars.**
- **Plus sides by the surviving artists incl. Dion & The Belmonts, Frankie Sardo, Waylon Jennings, et al.**
- **Plus tribute songs and radio broadcasts.**
- **Newly mastered with liner notes from music expert, Bill Dahl.**

February 3, 1959 will always be remembered as 'the day the music died.' On that frigid occasion, a small plane carrying Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens, and The Big Bopper crashed in a frozen Iowa field, killing all touring three rock and roll luminaries and their pilot.

Bear Family's posthumous tribute disc to the tragedy brings together some of their greatest recordings on this one-of-a-kind collection, along with key sides from the surviving participants of the tour—Dion and the Belmonts, Frankie Sardo, Waylon Jennings, even Debbie Stevens, whose cover of *If You Can't Rock Me* is an unheralded classic. There are also a series of tribute songs to the fallen triumvirate by Eddie Cochran, Ray Campi, Benny Barnes, and Hershel Almond, as well as excerpts from period radio broadcasts relaying the devastating news.

Rock 'n' roll would never be the same — it had forever lost its innocence — but the seminal music that Buddy, Ritchie, and the Bopper gave us will never grow old.

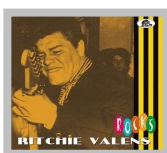
## TRACK LISTING:

**CD:**  
**The Big Bopper:** 'Winter Dance Party' Radio Promo • Chantilly Lace • **Buddy Holly:** 'Winter Dance Party' Radio Promo • Heartbeat • **Ritchie Valens:** 'Winter Dance Party' Radio Promo • La Bamba • **The Crickets:** Maybe Baby • **Frankie Sardo:** Class Room • **Dion & The Belmonts:** I Can't Go On (Rosalie) • **Buddy Holly:** Alan Freed Radio Show Part 1 (incl. I'm Gonna Love You Too) • **The Big Bopper:** Little Red Riding Hood • **Arvee Allens (Ritchie Valens):** Fast Freight • **Buddy Holly:** Interviewed By Alan Freed • It's So Easy • **Debbie Stevens:** If You Can't Rock Me • **The Big Bopper:** Monkey Song (You Made A Monkey Out Of Me) • **Buddy Holly:** Peggy Sue • **Dion & The Belmonts:** I Wonder Why • **Buddy Holly:** Alan Freed Radio Show Part 2 (incl. Listen To Me) • **Ritchie Valens:** Donna Commercial • Donna • **Buddy Holly & The Three Tunes:** Ting-A-Ling • **Frankie Sardo:** Fake Out • **The Big Bopper:** Big Bopper's Wedding • **Ritchie Valens:** Come On Let's Go • **Buddy Holly:** Well ... All Right • **Arvee Allens (Ritchie Valens):** Big Baby Blues • **The Big Bopper:** A Teen-Age Moon • **Waylon Jennings:** When Sin Stops • **Dion & The Belmonts:** No One Knows • **Newscast Plane Crash Report #1 Feb 3, 1959** • **Buddy Holly:** It Doesn't Matter Anymore • **Eddie Cochran:** Three Stars • **Dion & The Belmonts:** Teen Angel • **Newscast Plane Crash Report #2 Feb 3, 1959** • **Hershel Almond:** The Great Tragedy • **Ray Campi:** The Ballad Of Donna And Peggy Sue • **Newscast Plane Crash Report #3 Feb 3, 1959** • **The Crickets:** That'll Be The Day • **Benny Barnes:** Gold Records In The Snow

## ALSO AVAILABLE:

**Ritchie Valens  
Rocks**

CD (Digipac) with 40-page booklet  
BCD17525 AR



**The Big Bopper  
Hello Baby! You Know What I Like**

CD (Digipac) with 52-page booklet  
BCD17109 AH



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