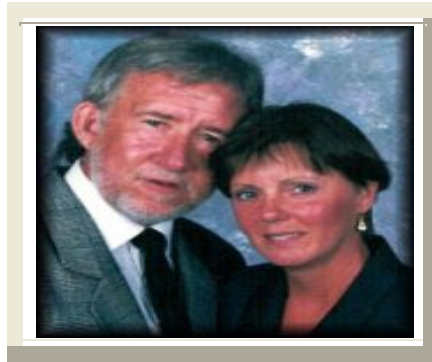


LATHAN HUDSON



Lathan was born and raised in Sylacauga, Alabama. He is married to the former Kathleen Gatewood of Pittsfield, Massachusetts. They now live in Port St. John, Florida where Kathleen is employed by USA of the Kennedy Space Center. They have one son, Hud, who is a saltwater fishing guide on the Indian and Banana River in Port St. John, Florida.

In 1976 they moved to Nashville, Tennessee where Lathan became a staff writer for the Tree Publisher. During Lathan's tenure, he subsequently wrote for Pete Drake Productions, Lobo Music, and produced many records on various artists. Lathan spent 17 successful years in Nashville, writing over 180-recorded songs, 4 of which were Grammy nominees. His songs have been recorded by stars the magnitude of



B.J. Thomas, Barbra Streisand, Dolly Parton, Linda Ronstadt, Emmy Lou Harris, George Jones, Elvis Costello, Tammy Wynette, Mel Tillis, Burl Ives, Martha & The Vandellas, Wayne Newton, and many others. Two of Lathan's songs were Number 1 Hits on the Billboard Charts in the 1980s, "New Looks From An Old Lover" and the #1 Gospel hit "I'm In Tune", both recorded by B.J. Thomas are 'standards, and still garner much radio and television 'air' play.

Not content to rest on his laurels, he is co-author of the "Jingle Bell Monster" song.



That project turned into a children's storybook, plush toys and a CD with the song recorded by

Jon and Jim Hager.



During his "Nashville" years, Lathan became quite popular within many circles of the entertainment industry. Being well respected as a writer and producer he was also well known as a golfer, having invites to play the Darrel Royal/Willie Nelson golf tournament in Houston, Texas. While writing for Pete Drake Productions, Lathan became friends with B.J. Thomas (who was being produced by Pete Drake) and his wife, Gloria.

Since Both Lathan and B.J. have a passion for golf, it was only natural that they should hook up sometimes no less than three times a week to play. Lathan became popular among many of the well-known entertainment celebrities and when he reminisces, he counts Darrel Royal, Red Lane, James Garner, (the late) Scatman Crothers, (the late) Micky Mantle and Jim Ed Brown as his close compadres.

Lathan likes to quote some of his friends: Roger Miller once told me, "Lathan, you just can't tell how fat a chicken is by looking him in the face." Also, his buddy Bob Shane of the Kingston Trio has a famous saying: "When the going gets weird, the weird turn pro."

Lathan currently teaches a course in songwriting at Brevard Community College in Cocoa, Florida. Lathan is also the author of numerous poems and other children's stories and is working on a manuscript titled Thurmond-Permanently Sealed well as a series of books for children titled Himinamis Bear.

Lathan's many creative ventures in Florida would not be possible without the expertise of his new acquaintances, who are now his business partners, and some of his old friends. They are: Dr. Anthony Kinsella, Roxanna Bain, Bill Whitacre (entertainment attorney responsible for getting THE BLAIR WITCH PROJECT movie to the big screen), Wendell Quillen (Visual Echo and Mirror Minds), Linda Happel, Jan Moreland (literary agent), Johnny Chance Jones, Chuck & Debra Ghigna, and Ron Muir.