

**Willie Nelson And Family**  
**Old National Events Plaza**  
**April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30pm**

***61<sup>st</sup> Annual Grammy Award Winner for “Best Traditional Pop Album”  
For “My Way” On February, 10, 2019***

***Evansville, IN*** – With a six-decade career and 200 plus albums, this iconic Texan is the creative genius behind the historic recordings of *Crazy*, *Red Headed Stranger*, and *Stardust*. Willie Nelson has earned every conceivable award as a musician and amassed reputable credentials as an author, actor, and activist. He continues to thrive as a relevant and progressive musical and cultural force.

In recent years, he has delivered more than a dozen new album releases, released a Top 10 *New York Times*' bestsellers book, again headlined Farm Aid, an event he co-founded in 1985, received his 5th degree black belt in Gong Kwon Yu Sul, headlined the annual Luck Reunion food and music festival at his ranch in Luck, TX during SXSW, launched his cannabis companies Willie's Reserve and Willie's Remedy, and graced the covers of Rolling Stone and AARP The Magazine. In 2015, Nelson published "It's A Long Story: My Life," the unvarnished and complete story of his life that landed him on the *New York Times*' bestsellers list. He also released a new studio album with Merle Haggard titled *Django And Jimmie*, which debuted at #1 on *Billboard*'s Country album chart and #7 on *Billboard*'s Top 200 album chart.

In November 2015, the Library of Congress honored him with their Gershwin Prize for Popular Song for his contributions to popular music. He is the first country artist to receive the distinguished award. The following year began with the release of *Summertime: Willie Nelson Sings Gershwin*, a collection of 11 newly recorded Gershwin classics. The album debuted at #1 on both the Top Current Jazz chart and the Top Traditional Jazz chart, as well as earned him a Grammy Award for the Best Traditional Pop Vocal Album.

In September 2016, came *For the Good Times: A Tribute to Ray Price*, an album of newly recorded interpretations of 12 Ray Price songs. In 2017, he released two albums of newly recorded performances: *God's Problem Child*, with 13 new songs that debuted at #1 on *Billboard*'s Country album chart and #10 on the *Billboard* 200, and *Willie Nelson and The Boys (Willie's Stash, Vol. 2)*, that includes 11 country classics and one brand-new song performed by Nelson and his sons Lukas and Micah.

For 2018, he released *Last Man Standing* in April to celebrate his 85th birthday. It is comprised entirely of songs newly-penned by Nelson (and longtime collaborator and producer Buddy Cannon). September brought the release of *My Way*, a collection of newly recorded standards and classic originally made famous by Nelson's close friend and musical colleague Frank Sinatra. The new album was honored with ***“Best Traditional Pop Album” on February, 10, 2019***. These new songs and performances add to his classic catalog, and finds Willie Nelson rolling at a creative peak, writing and singing and playing with the seasoned wit and wisdom that comes from the road, which he still travels along performing for fans.

Willie Nelson & Family will be at Old National Events Plaza's Aiken Theatre on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Tickets go on sale Friday, February 15 at 10am. Tickets can be purchased at Old National Events Plaza Box Office, Ticketmaster.com or charge –by-phone at 800-745-3000. Tickets are

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