

Tom T. Hall

"Intro to Song Three"

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Why I thank you all very much you're a beautiful
audience and I know many
of you by name and I'm lookin' out in the audience and
seein' some faces
Eh that I have seen on my country music tours around
America and around
the world and the past twenty-one years and they really
look good
I don't know how you folks are gettin' so old and I'm
stayin' so young

Well here's a song I wrote about a young man
Who inspired me to be a guitar picker and a singer and
a song writer
And without this young man's help I wouldn't be here
today
And it would be a crime if I didn't mention him and sing
a song about him
But this is a young man who was an original
He did his own kind of pickin' and own kind of singin'
And maybe he was an inspiration to me in that regard
too
But he died when I was about seven or eight years old
And he was only nineteen or twenty years old at the
time
I sometimes wish that he had lived
And you could have had an opportunity to hear him
pick and sing
But since he can't be here today we'd like to do this
song that I wrote about
him.. It's a tribute to him...

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