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**MORE ABOUT DARRELL**



*Darrell Sikes was born and raised in the charming small town of Plant City, FL, renowned for its legendary Strawberry Festival. Just like any typical kid from a rural area, Darrell enjoyed hunting, fishing, and loved going to the mud hole on the weekends with his buddies.*

*Darrell also enjoyed sports, kicking off his basketball journey in seventh grade and continuing to shine through his senior year, where his team clinched the all-conference title. In addition to basketball, Darrell also enjoyed playing soccer and baseball, living the good ole' American dream as just a regular kid chasing his passions.*

*Darrell found his passion for music early in life and began taking piano lessons. His teacher soon realized that he not only had a natural talent for playing the piano but also possessed a remarkable singing voice. He was inspired by the 90's country era listening to the sounds of Alabama, Garth Brooks, and Brooks & Dunn. Among them, Toby Keith stood out as his favorite, embodying the spirit of a true American by passionately supporting our country, its values, and our American flag, symbolizing freedom. Garth Brooks also left an impression on Darrell, captivating him with his electrifying stage presence and exceptional talent as an entertainer.*

*A fire ignited within Darrell, propelling him toward his destiny. In 2002-2003, during a singing competition, an A&R representative from a record label happened to be a special guest at the event and spotted his talent, setting off an exhilarating new chapter in Darrell's life. This serendipitous moment opened the doors to Nashville, where he showcased his skills to numerous labels and talent buyers, receiving an overwhelmingly positive response. This pivotal experience transformed into an extraordinary opportunity, as Darrell spent the following year traveling to Nashville, immersing himself in the vibrant scene of Music Row to write and record his music.*

*In that year, Darrell recorded 4 radio-ready tracks, but life circumstances pulled him back home, prompting a pause in his musical journey. However, from 2010 - 2013, Darrell Sikes re-ignited his passion for music, jumping back into the scene with enthusiasm. Before long, he and his band were not only opening for national acts and major talent buyers but also making waves on the local news program "Positively Tampa Bay."*

*Darrell's opportunities continued to flourish, He was offered an exciting opportunity for a full-time lead role singing at one of Tony Orlando's popular show theaters in Branson, MO.*

*In 2023, he seized the chance to open for the Bellamy Brothers at the Hardee County Watermelon Festival.*

*Despite the occasional hurdles Darrell has faced, music has undeniably woven itself into the fabric of his life. He has never left the stage, frequently collaborating with diverse bands and performances at festivals and venues around his hometown.*

*Continuing his journey, the future of country music is here; Darrell Sikes represents the next era of country - a fusion of classic and modern styles that feels both familiar and fresh. With his relatable storytelling and unique sound, Darrell is redefining the genre for a new generation of fans. Get on board now and be a part of country's evolution.*