

A refreshing sound rooted in the Adirondack Mountains!

ATKINSON FAMILY



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"I had the pleasure of hearing the Atkinsons. They possess a special vocal blend that deserves to be heard. They sing with power and conviction. I'm proud to call them neighbors," said **Eric Gibson of the Gibson Brothers.**

"The Atkinsons are a very traditional bluegrass band yet having their own original stamp to their music with vocals only achievable by a family group. They present a high energy stage show and a sound that is a joy to hear - a must see for the bluegrass enthusiast!," **said Junior Barber, seventime IBMA nominee for dobro player of the year.**

The band has a unique sound like no other. A combination of Bluegrass and Americana, along with a refreshing mountain sound coming from the rural Adirondack foothills. The Atkinsons released their fifth studio recording, Jayville Station in June 2018 with original material, and songs not traditional to the bluegrass genre, but which find a unique sound from the Atkinson Family.

The Atkinson Family band's leader is banjo linchpin Dick Atkinson. He learned to love the banjo at an early age, listening to the early sounds of bluegrass, Flat and Scruggs, Bill Monroe and the Stanley Brothers. He has his own three fingered style, with a bit of Scruggs and Stanley.

Shelene Atkinson plays rhythm guitar and singing lead and harmony. She finds her roots with the early sounds of Emmy Lou Harris, Linda Ronstat and early country greats like Patsy Cline.

Liza Atkinson sings lead and harmony vocals and plays mandolin and guitar. Her voice has a pure sound like no other. Her background of growing up in a musical family, she has been singing since she was a toddler and playing guitar at an early age. Mandolin came later and she drives the band with her strong chunk keeping the rhythm.

Sara Atkinson plays bass and sings harmony vocals. Sara is the youngest of the Atkinson children and decided to try her hand at playing bass with the band and singing a few years ago.

The well known 2003 National Dobro Champion, Dave Bevins from Chilson, NY makes a well rounded sound. Dave has played with some of Nashiville's finest musicians, the Country Gentleman, Dan Tyminski, John Cowan, to name a few. Dave is a tasteful, inventive back up and lead dobro player, always adding just the right sound.