## Mp3 Carl 'creekmudd' Caillier - These Friends That I've Made



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An earthy album where American Folk Rock meets Zydaco, Love ballads, Blugrass, a train song, a Dixieland song, a crazy Island song, 2 blues songs, all Redneck Riviera (Muscle Shoals) style. 10 MP3 Songs FOLK: Traditional Folk, FOLK: Folk Blues Details: Biography of Carl Wesley Caillier / Creekmudd Born October 5, 1953, in Chickasaw Alabama (North Mobile County). My father, Joseph Wesley Caillier, was a cajun from Cecelia, Louisiana. His name was misspelled to Collier so many times that he left it that way even after marrying my mother Christine Wilber. Mother moved from lower Alabama to the mountains of North Carolina (near Saluda) and back to N. Mobile County, where she met my dad. My only brother and four sisters were all named Collier, but I changed my name back in 1971 after graduating from Blount High School. The spelling (Caillier) was considered official in September, 1972 when I joined the U.S. Navy. Between high school and the navy I lived in Cocoa Beach, Florida. Being honorably discharged from the navy in Pensacola after serving on the U.S.S Lexington, I traveled to Colorado, California, the Bahamas, Louisiana, and back to Alabama from 1975 until 1980. Lots of odd jobs and odder gigs (outboard motor repair, off shore supply boats servicing oil fields in the Gulf of Mexico and playing the watering holes and oyster bars along the "redneck rivera," to name a few) led to a college education at the University of Alabama Birmingham. During my college days I switched from nursing to a career in respiratory therapy. Met my wife Lisa Miller, a Florida girl living in Mobile, back in 1989 while we were both working at Providence Hospital. We moved to Central Florida after our wedding in August 1990. In the spring of 1999 we moved from East Orange County to South Lake County near Clermont where we live together with our two children, Cecilia and Wesley. (Yes, my wife is really a lot younger than me...life is hard!) My cajun daddy and hillbilly mother both influenced my music with the

records of Hank Williams, Tennessee Ernie Ford, Mahalya Jackson, Pete Fountain and Al Hurt. My father played the harmonica cajun style very well and had always had a few records of creole french singers. My older brother listened to the folkies like the Kingston Trio and my oldest sister is still the only person I know that saw the Beatles perform live. I like it all and once I had my own money I bought records of Bob Dylan, C.C.R., Muddy Waters, Johnny Cash, Eric Clapton and lots of different styles of gospel like Larry Norman, Love Song and even Pat Boone! I love to cook cajun (almost as much as eating) and I still find time to stay in shape so I can surf. The surfing started in the summer of '65 and has a lot to do with where I've lived, the friends that I've made, and my music. During the summer of '71, while being a beach bum in Cocoa Beach, I dedicated my life to Jesus. I started writing back then and adopted the nickname "creekmudd." Spirtually I've limped along, but I know all good comes from God and that message re-appears in most of my lyrics. Otherwise I'm just working at a hospital, fishing, having fun with friends and family and playing music when and wherever I can in His grace. Carl Wesley Caillier, or Carl 'Creekmudd' Caillier

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