

Mp3 Barbara Ann Van - Special Delivery



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Jazzy ballads with a touch of blues. She sings from the heart and touches your soul. Great album to end your evening or continue your early morning hours. 12 MP3 Songs JAZZ: Jazz Vocals, BLUES: Jazzy Blues Details: This Body of work consists of songs I fell in love with at various points in my life. From 'Cry Me A River" which I first heard on my Dads HIFI by Julie London to " Just One of Those Things" by Rosemary Clooney. My biggest musical influences in my life have been singers like Judy Garland, Sarah Vaughan, Ella Fitzgerald, Carmen McRae, Frank Sinatra and Ray Charles. I grew up hearing these great singers and knew that I also wanted to sing their music. The Music of the 1940's and 1950's is some of the best music we still have to enjoy today. "Special Delivery" was my first album and it was done in a small local studio in Fort Lauderdale. The musicians were all friends of mine and we had a great time recording these out of the norm tunes. Paul Bonman ,piano and keyboards was in my band "The Johnson Boys " in the early 90's and we have always had a special connection. Don Miller on acoustic Bass helped me with arrangements as well as keeping the group tight and focused. Bobby Stern is a very energetic saxophone player used to playing more Rhythm and Blues than Jazz but delivered a strong back up for me. Brian Smith on drums kept us all in time all the time. Brian works with many groups in South Florida. Linc Lackey and Valerio Conti also joined me for a few tunes adding a different flavor to bass and piano backup for me. Linc was also in my band "The Johnson Boys" and has always been key in song selection for me at times. I hope you enjoy the first album as well as my second album "Her Way" This album was heavily influenced by a dear friend of mine who passed away a couple years ago. He was a very extraordinary pianist, composer, arranger by the name of Jim Belt. He accompanies me on the first two tracks as well as selecting 6 of the 12 songs I recorded. Jim took me under his wing in 1996 in Fort Lauderdale where we first met and mentored and encouraged me to record .He was a special person

who now plays in the big jazz band in the sky.Keep the music in your heart always my fans I love you

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