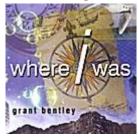
Mp3 Grant Bentley - Where I Was



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Melodic acoustic folk/pop sung by a creative singer/songwriter with a direct, honest delivery. 13 MP3 Songs FOLK: Folk Pop, POP: Folky Pop Details: The son of an architect and a country girl from the oil fields of Bakersfield, Ca., Grant Bentley first picked up the guitar at age 11. It was an old acoustic left among his grandfather's possessions when he passed away suddenly in the early sixties. After an unproductive start with the classical side of the guitar, Grant found a home in the folk songs and fingerpicking styles of the great singer/songwriters of the mid-sixties. In high school he expanded to the electric guitar, and spent many an hour playing in cold garages with his brother, Bill, and the occasional bass player and drummer who joined them. Although Grant took many drama classes at University of California, Berkeley in the early seventies, it was not until many years later that the power of songwriting and performing took hold. In the meantime, he managed to get married, bring up two children, work in the high-tech industry in Silicon Valley, and generally pursue the standard paths to family success. Much of the drive for a creative outlet came after the break-up of his marriage in 1986. A rediscovery of classical music through participation in local community college choirs, and the support he found in the Northern California Songwriter's Association (NCSA) also contributed to the shaping of Grant's musical expression. Grant's songs are filled with warmth and honesty, as he strives to capture the feelings of life in ways that others can understand. It's the passion that pushes me towards my guitar, and I try not to be too scared of what results that might have, he says. Grant is a three-time winner of the best song award at the NCSA's South Bay Open Mic Performances, and was a featured tenor in the Foothill College Chamber Singers from 1993-1995. His debut album, released in 1997 as a tribute to his father, is entitled Father Times Two." His new album, Where I Was, is the first musical album to employ geo-caching by including latitude and longitude information to let his listeners know the exact location of the various inspirations for

new songs on this album. The bonus track on the new album, Imaging is Everything was written as a tribute to a famous photographer who tragically lost his life during the summer of 2002. Information/Bookings: Phone: (408) 971-7435 E-mail: grantbent@aol.com

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