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AIM 3005 CD

Live Fast, Love Hard, Die Young"



Faron Young was born on 25 February, 1932, Shreveport, Louisiana. He was raised on the farm, and learnt to play guitar and sing country songs as a boy. His greatest influence was Hank Williams, and whilst still at school he formed a country band. He gave up college in 1950 and joined radio station KWKH, where he soon became part of the Louisiana Hayride show. He soon found work singing in nightclubs and honky tonks. He then joined Webb Pierce's band, touring with him as a vocalist.

He cut some local records at this time, but it was when he moved to Nashville in 1953, and became a member of the Grand Ole Opry, and recorded his self-penned "Going Steady" (#2, country charts) that his career, which was to become on of the longest running as well as one of the most popular in country music took off.

After serving in the Korean war, he had his first number 1 hit in 1955 with "Live Fast, Love Hard, Die Young", just about the most danceable honky tonk song around. In 1956 the Don Gibson penned "Sweet Dreams" went to number 2. In 1957 he hit top 5 with "I Miss You Already (and You're Not Even Gone)". Young soon developed a reputation for finding promising new songwriters bringing Roy Drusky's "Alone With You" and "Country Girl" to the top of the charts in 1958 and taking Willie Nelson's "Hello Walls" to No 1 in 1961, giving him his first million seller. Young was one of the first artists to record a Nelson song. "Face To The Wall" went Top 10 in 1960. "The Comeback" went Top 5 in 1962.

In 1963 "The Yellow Bandanna" went Top 5. In 1964 "Walk Tall" went Top 10. At the end of the 60's Young returned to honky tonk and in 1969 went to No 2 with "Wine Me Up" a big comeback hit. during the next five years he continued to have hits including "It's Four In The Morning" (country No 1 1971) his second million seller. It was after this time that his hits started to gradually fade.

For most of the 80's he continued to perform concerts, where his reputation was that he always gave 150%, and then at the end of the 80's he went into semi-retirement appearing in concert only occasionally. In the 90's he developed emphysema, and committed suicide on December 18, 1996.

The Best Of FARO

- 1. Going Steady
- 2. Live Fast, Love Hard, Die Young
- 3. I Miss You Already (And You're Not Even Gone)
- 4. Sweet Dreams
- 5. Alone With You
- 6. Country Girl
- 7. Face To The Wall
- 8. The Comeback
- 9. Hello Walls
- 10. The Yellow Bandanna
- 11. Walk Tall
- 12. Wine Me Up
- 13. It's Four In The Morning
- 14. The Other Woman
- 15. I'll Trade All My Tomorrows
- 16. Your Cheatin' Heart
- 17. A Satisfied Mind
- 18. There Goes My Everything
- 19. The Race Is On
- 20. Swinging Doors
- 21. Crying Time
- 22. King Of The Road
- 23. Busted
- 24. Back Street Affair
- 25. High Noon
- 26. Hey, Mr Bluebird
- 27. Apartment #9
- 28. Sweet Thing
- 29. Mexican Joe

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