

Gettin' Old by Luke Combs Reviewed by Ericka McNab

## **About Luke**

Luke Combs was born on March 2,1990 in Charlotte, North Carolina. Luke is an only child, when he was younger Luke and his dad would go on drives around town, listening to country radio. That was what sparked Lukes love for country music, since then he has made country his lifestyle. He would perform in school musicals and participated in church choir. Luke got married in August of 2020 to Nicole Hocking. Together they have a baby boy and a new baby on the way.



### **About the Album**

Luke made this album because it's supposed to reflect on his childhood memories and his memories as an adult. How he lived life growing up and what he has to go through in today's world. Some of the album was also connected to when he became a father in 2022 and the role he had to take on.

## **Hit Songs**

## "Growin' Up and Gettin' Old":

This song is connected to this album and Luke's other album "Growin' Up' that he released in 2022. The song explains why the album was made. I enjoy this song because the lyrics are quite relatable to everyone. It was written by Luke Combs, Rob Snyder and Channing Wilson.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Aj2BtFX8KRU

### "Fast Car":

Luke Combs did a cover of Tracy Chapman's song 'fast car". Luke decided this song because when he was younger it came on the radio and the song just clicked with him. There was something about it that stuck out to him. Tracy did approve of Luke's cover and now Luke has a special memory with his dad. I enjoy this song because his voice suits the melody of the song so well.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fr7oYjnt3bM



## "My song will never Die":

The meaning behind this song is in its title. Luke wanted a song that people would remember for whenever he passes away, though his music is so famous he will definitely be remembered. I enjoy that there is truth and soul behind this song, I like how it starts off slow but gets heavier and more dramatic.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R6x1sINNurA

## "Love you Anyway"

Nicole was Luke's inspiration for this song. Luke is saying that even in the beginning he knows they will break his heart, but they are too special so he's going to love them anyway. I enjoy this song because there is truth to the song that so many people can relate to. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-8feR8A4ybY

# "Tattoo on a Sunburn"

The message to this song is that 'a permanent reminder of love that disappeared a long time ago'. That there is the pain of getting a tattoo on a sunburn but it will eventually heal, even though you will still have a permanent memory of the pain. I like the song just because Luke sang it.

https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=nH5v5gn69Hs



## "Where the Wild things Are"

This song was originally just sitting in Nashville's writing community. The song was on hold for Eric Church before Luke came in and took it for himself. The song is telling a story about how an older brother leaves home to go west. Gos on so many adventures and ends up dying. So the song is the younger brother giving a tribute to the older brother. I love how you can hear and see that Luke put his heart and soul into this song. The beat to the song is so catchy and overall is a great song to listen to.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aoJwvnDuARo

### **Awards**

Luke Combs won a total of 17 awards from 2018-2023. The best award he has won was when he won 'Entertainer of the year' in 2021-22. Every 17 singles he has, have hit <u>number one</u> on country radio.

# **Influence**

First Miranda Lambert was an influence for Luke. He is spending most of his career breaking records every year. Luke Combs is one of the most popular artists for country music today. His platform has influenced other artists such as Brent Cobb, Adam Hood and Rob Snyder.

# **My Opinion**

I only discovered Luke a year ago from his hit song "The kind of love we make" that blew up on social media. Since then I have discovered more of his music and albums and have loved every part of it. Every song of his has a good story behind it that anyone can relate to and he puts his heart and soul into his music. I do find that his album names are quite similar to each other but his music is so powerful and contagious.

# **My Rating**

I would give Luke Combs album 'Gettin' Old 4.8/5.



