

# Barry McGuire

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Hate your next-door neighbor, but don't forget to say grace.

~Barry McGuire

There's only one drummer. We all travel to his beat. Well, I couldn't sing his song. Because for me, it wasn't a truthful statement. Well, Linda sang it, and it was a monster for her.

~Barry McGuire

You tell me over and over and over again, my friend, you don't believe we're on the eve of destruction.

~Barry McGuire

Marches alone won't bring integration when human respect is disintegrating

~Barry McGuire

You may leave here for four days in space, but when you return it's the same old place.

~Barry McGuire

The big turning point, really, was the Beatles' influence on American folk music, and then Roger took it to the next step, and then along came the Lovin' Spoonful and everybody else.

~Barry McGuire

It was really fun. Well, Bobby was just basically a folk singer. He didn't play with any bands or anything, like all the rest of us. Just played his guitar and sang his songs.

~Barry McGuire

You know, the music business is like the Lotto. Just put your numbers down and sometimes they hit, and sometimes they don't. There's just no rhyme or reason.

~Barry McGuire

You don't believe in war, but what's that gun you're totin'.

~Barry McGuire

To have a songwriter that wrote so specifically what I felt to be true... I've never been much of an actor either. If something is real for me, then I can do it.

~Barry McGuire

But times changed, and I changed, and I didn't feel that way anymore. The Beatles were happening. I think that was probably the main thing. The Beatles just changed the whole world of music.

~Barry McGuire

When I wrote 'Green, Green,' it was like a really a statement of where I was at philosophically in my life.

~Barry McGuire

Think of all the hate there is in Red China, then take a look around to Selma, Alabama.

~Barry McGuire

I know great songwriters. Fred Neil would come up when he was in L.A., we all used to hang out. He would sit there and sing, and we would just melt. I mean, we would go to his recording sessions.

~Barry McGuire

So he was opening night... I was out of a job, and I'd been to every producer in Hollywood trying to get a job singing. But nobody wanted to know me.

~Barry McGuire

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