

Gordon Lightfoot Quotes

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Think about the fool who by his virtue can be found in a most unusual situation playing jester to the clown.

~Gordon Lightfoot

You just get the vibes of your surroundings and it rubs off on you.

~Gordon Lightfoot

Does anyone know where the love of God goes when the waves turn the minutes to hours?

~Gordon Lightfoot

Let our hearts touch far horizons. Let our love know no borders, Draw the Circles wide until, No one stands alone.

~Gordon Lightfoot

Will you gather daydreams or will you gather wealth? How can you find your fortune when you cannot find yourself?

~Gordon Lightfoot

I'm a little nuts. I'm a lot nuts. All I know is that in the midst of the madness of this world it's my therapy. The music touches my heartstrings.

~Gordon Lightfoot

If you plan to face tomorrow, do it soon.

~Gordon Lightfoot

If I could read your mind, what a tale your thoughts could tell. Just like a paperback novel, the kind that drugstores sell.

~Gordon Lightfoot

You will go with me everywhere. When I'm dreaming, you still share my lonely nights.

~Gordon Lightfoot

Sometimes a broken dream will make you sad or make you mean.
Sometimes things ain't bad as they seem.

~Gordon Lightfoot

Rainy day people all know there's no sorrow they can't rise above.

~Gordon Lightfoot

Those who put their faith in fire, in fire their faith shall be repaid.

~Gordon Lightfoot

Whitecaps in profusion all around me, but somehow in your eyes I
found the strength to sail upon that raging sea.

~Gordon Lightfoot

She been looking like a queen in a sailor's dream.

~Gordon Lightfoot

I never got really good at hockey.

~Gordon Lightfoot

She is my flower and she blooms for the one who loves her best.

~Gordon Lightfoot

I worked in a plant when I was 14 for two years. I always wanted to do
the summer jobs. Honest to God, I always had to be doing something.

~Gordon Lightfoot

The house you live in will never fall down, if you pity the stranger who
stands at your door.

~Gordon Lightfoot

To wear the crown of peace, you must wear the crown of thorns.

~Gordon Lightfoot

The road to love is littered by the bones of other ones, who by the magic of the moment were mysteriously undone.

~Gordon Lightfoot

It was very interesting time to be in England. Even at that point [John] Lennon and [Paul] McCartney influenced my writing. I thought, "maybe there is a huck or two in here I haven't thought of".

~Gordon Lightfoot

Don Quixote was a song for a 1969 Michael Douglas movie called Hail Hero! I wrote the title song for the film and they also used the Don Quixote one I had submitted.

~Gordon Lightfoot

I was a drummer in the bugle band in cadets. I marched. It's probably quite funny to look back on it.

~Gordon Lightfoot

The strength of his will was the tool of his trade.

~Gordon Lightfoot

I never really had stage nerves but I did have had trouble getting up to the right energy level. For a long time I drank. I drank up until 1982 and then I gave up alcohol.

~Gordon Lightfoot

I'm not really a bird person or an Audubon guy who studies them, but as I was around them, they interested me.

~Gordon Lightfoot

All that remains is the faces and the names of the wives and the sons and the daughters.

~Gordon Lightfoot

My parents got my sister and I to go to church and have piano lessons. We were keen and they could see that.

~Gordon Lightfoot

A lot of people influenced me as I was learning but probably Bing Crosby was the most influential, because I would hear his Christmas albums, which my parents played a lot.

~Gordon Lightfoot

I would never have ever dreamed that I would get married again and then all of a sudden you meet somebody. That's the thing about life. It can be so unexpected.

~Gordon Lightfoot

Be calm in the face of all common disgraces.

~Gordon Lightfoot

Everything is trust, all the rest is dust.

~Gordon Lightfoot

Sometimes I think it's a shame, when I get feeling better when I'm feeling no pain.

~Gordon Lightfoot

Words are for explaining the mistakes we might have made, names are for calling when there is nothing left to say.

~Gordon Lightfoot

I can see her lying back in her faded dress in a room where do what you don't confess.

~Gordon Lightfoot

Getting lost in her loving is your first mistake.

~Gordon Lightfoot

See the judge upon the bench who tries the case as best he can, see the wise and wicked ones who feed upon life's sacred fire, see the soldier with his gun who must be dead to be admired.

~Gordon Lightfoot

I play piano, but not well enough to play professionally.

~Gordon Lightfoot

I can remember sitting in a cabin outside of Denver writing that with a can of soup on the stove.

~Gordon Lightfoot

I don't know where we went wrong, but the feeling's gone and I just can't get it back.

~Gordon Lightfoot

Give me a wave I can ride upon, come and show your strength to me.

~Gordon Lightfoot

I was happy to be in England, because my mother had always loved the royals, and so do I.

~Gordon Lightfoot

I took the song The First Time Ever I Saw Your Face from a folk singer called Bonnie Dobson. I knew her and she had a record with that track on it.

~Gordon Lightfoot

I had lots of friends who were fighting in Vietnam and I am still friends with veterans of the war.

~Gordon Lightfoot

What has changed for me is that I now have a huge family [Lightfoot has four children, from his first two marriages] - the result of my living.

~Gordon Lightfoot

When love is true there is no truer occupation.

~Gordon Lightfoot

Both the Beatles and The Rolling Stones broke on the music scene the summer I was in England. I can vividly remember hearing She Loves You in August 1963.

~Gordon Lightfoot

Silent waters rocking on the morning of our birth, like an empty cradle waiting to be filled. And from the heart of God the Spirit moved upon the earth, like a mother breathing life into her child.

~Gordon Lightfoot

I liked the American folk style of Woody Guthrie.

~Gordon Lightfoot

I once performed The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald to about 15 sea captains. The song was about a ship that broke in half and sank.

~Gordon Lightfoot

It seems so lucky to just to have the right of telling you with all my might, you're beautiful tonight.

~Gordon Lightfoot

If there's a reason for the way that life is I'd like to find it. After all, who's life is it?

~Gordon Lightfoot

There is always something wrong with a song, you can't be perfect.

~Gordon Lightfoot

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