

# Loretta Lynn

## Quotes

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The country is making a big mistake not teaching kids to cook and raise a garden and build fires.

~Loretta Lynn

There's more women stars in Nashville all the time. They're proving they can do the job the same as a man.

~Loretta Lynn

I'd love to travel to the Holy Land.

~Loretta Lynn

I didn't know how babies were made until I was pregnant with my fourth child.

~Loretta Lynn

I believe in horoscopes. I was born under the sign of the Ram, which means I'm headstrong, don't like people telling me what to do.

~Loretta Lynn

In the long run, you make your own luck - good, bad, or indifferent.

~Loretta Lynn

Nobody's perfect. The only one that ever was, was crucified.

~Loretta Lynn

When something is bothering me, I write a song that tells my feelings.

~Loretta Lynn

I ain't got much education, but I got some sense.

~Loretta Lynn

You either have to be first, best, or different.

~Loretta Lynn

I'm proud of being part Cherokee, and I think it's time all us Indians felt the same way.

~Loretta Lynn

You've got to continue to grow, or you're just like last night's cornbread - stale and dry.

~Loretta Lynn

My attitude toward men who mess around is simple: If you find 'em, kill 'em.

~Loretta Lynn

I get along with all the women singers, but especially Dolly Parton. We talk the same hillbilly language.

~Loretta Lynn

When I first came to Nashville, people hardly gave country music any respect. We lived in old cars and dirty hotels, and we ate when we could.

~Loretta Lynn

When I'd tell people I like country music they'd get this look on their faces. People were kind of ashamed of country.

~Loretta Lynn

Doo never actually made moonshine, but he hauled about an ocean of it.

~Loretta Lynn

Because Olivia Newton-John wasn't from Nashville, they didn't like her winning our awards. I've got no complaints.

~Loretta Lynn

Once in a while I get inspired and finish my act with the hillbilly

hoedown.

~Loretta Lynn

Write about the truth. If you write about the truth, somebody's living that. Not just somebody, there's a lot of people.

~Loretta Lynn

I think I reach people because I'm with them, not apart from them.

~Loretta Lynn

You ain't supposed to get salmon when they're swimming upstream to spawn. But if you're hungry, you do.

~Loretta Lynn

Why leave the nut you got for one you don't know?

~Loretta Lynn

Do the best you can with yourself and hope for the best.

~Loretta Lynn

I wouldn't have dared ask God for all that He's given me. I couldn't have done it on my own. I thank God every day for what I have.

~Loretta Lynn

A woman's two cents worth is worth two cents in the music business.

~Loretta Lynn

I was the first woman ever named Entertainer of the Year in country music.

~Loretta Lynn

I loved being outside. We'd hold lightning bugs in our fingers and pretend they were diamond rings.

~Loretta Lynn

I never rode in an automobile until I was 12.

~Loretta Lynn

If anyone asks how old I am, tell them it's none of their business!

~Loretta Lynn

Me and my partner, Conway Twitty, cleaned up at the 1972 Country Music Association Awards.

~Loretta Lynn

I'm always making Butcher Holler sound like the most backward part of the United States-and I think maybe it is.

~Loretta Lynn

I think Charley Pride has been one of the best things to happen to country music, to prove it belongs to everybody.

~Loretta Lynn

I've seen country music go uptown, like we say, and I'm proud I was there when it happened.

~Loretta Lynn

I'm trying to lead a good Christian life, so there ain't too much spiciness to tell about me.

~Loretta Lynn

I love people and I love to sing, and that's what keeps me going.

~Loretta Lynn

There's never going to be another Patsy Cline. Without her, I don't think I would have lasted.

~Loretta Lynn

I won all the blue ribbons for canning at the state fair.

~Loretta Lynn

Daddy was real gentle with kids. That's why I expected so much out of marriage, figuring that all men should be steady and pleasant.

~Loretta Lynn

I've seen every highway in the United States, and they all look alike to me.

~Loretta Lynn

Mommy smoked but she didn't want us to. She saw smoke coming out of the barn one time, so we got whipped.

~Loretta Lynn

I've seen things, and that's almost the same as doing them.

~Loretta Lynn

I know what it's like to be pregnant and nervous and poor.

~Loretta Lynn

My biggest hero, Gregory Peck, was my birthday present on April 14, 1973. I just sat and stared at him.

~Loretta Lynn

We used to go around tipping outhouses over, or turning over corn shocks on Halloween. Anything to be mean.

~Loretta Lynn

I never knew any Jews until I got into show business. I've found them to be real smart and good workers.

~Loretta Lynn

Some of my friends who know me best say they wouldn't trade places with me for \$1 million because of the pace I lead.

~Loretta Lynn

Who wants to be married to a grandfather?

~Loretta Lynn

Growing up in eastern Kentucky like I did, I'm used to having a few guns around to protect me.

~Loretta Lynn

I try to visit people in hospitals when I can, smiling and joking while I'm there. But when I leave, I just start crying.

~Loretta Lynn

I don't go to church regular. But I pray for answers to my problems.

~Loretta Lynn

I know there's some kind of history to mountain music-like it came from Ireland or England or Scotland and we kept up the tradition.

~Loretta Lynn

I want more out of life than I've gotten.

~Loretta Lynn

I refuse to be pushed around anymore.

~Loretta Lynn

I'd love to work more with the American Indians, my people.

~Loretta Lynn

I believe in education and wish I had a better one.

~Loretta Lynn

Sometimes they work, and sometimes they just won't. Sometimes you get hung up on them. When that happens, you just throw it back, and

maybe come back to it two or three weeks later.

~Loretta Lynn

We still lend our old house out to relatives. They keep a guest book for my fans to sign.

~Loretta Lynn

Being on stage is the best part of my career. I just say whatever comes into my head. It's the only time I feel grown-up and in control of things.

~Loretta Lynn

I've been around a long time, and life still has a whole lot of surprises for me.

~Loretta Lynn

I wasn't for Vietnam. When I told that to the hippie newspaper, all my people got nervous.

~Loretta Lynn

Really, I don't know what I'd do with myself if I retire. Wash dishes?

~Loretta Lynn

My life has run from misery to happiness.

~Loretta Lynn

I've always been full of nervous energy, but I'm not really as happy as I seem.

~Loretta Lynn

You get used to sadness, growing up in the mountains, I guess.

~Loretta Lynn

You have to be different, great or first.

~Loretta Lynn



You have to be first, different, or great. If you're one of them, you may make it.

~Loretta Lynn

A lot of people say I'd miss show business if I quit. I'd miss some of it. Now it's the only life I know.

~Loretta Lynn

When all those city folks try to fix up my talking, all they do is mess me up.

~Loretta Lynn

I came out the back of the building and I was hollering, 'I've sung on the Grand Ole Opry! I've sung on the Grand Ole Opry!'

~Loretta Lynn

I never knew where babies came from until it happened to me.

~Loretta Lynn

I'm not a big fan of Women's Liberation, but maybe it will help women stand up for the respect they're due.

~Loretta Lynn

You have to be the first, best or different.

~Loretta Lynn

I avoid going through places where there's too much poverty.

~Loretta Lynn

The night I announced I was getting married, Daddy paced for hours on the porch.

~Loretta Lynn

Sometimes it's like you're a big pie settin' on the table, and everybody

runs up and gets their piece of you. When it's over' the plate's empty.

~Loretta Lynn

Doolittle looked just like a little toy soldier the first time I ever saw him.

~Loretta Lynn

It's important that you take care of yourself and blow off steam in the right way. Don't let some woman walk in and say, "hey, goodbye!" and take your man. Kill her if you can! I'm only kidding.

~Loretta Lynn

How do you measure your value?

~Loretta Lynn

You're the reason our kids are ugly.

~Loretta Lynn

I was married when I wasn't quite 14 and had four babies by the time I was 18.

~Loretta Lynn

I've been married to the same man for all this time. The way we fight sometimes, you can tell.

~Loretta Lynn

All music is based on country music. And that's why so many different kinds of people relate to it. There are more country music fans in New Jersey than there are down South.

~Loretta Lynn

There's always been a man telling me what to do.

~Loretta Lynn

I don't like to talk about things where you're going to get one side or the

other unhappy. My music has no politics.

~Loretta Lynn

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