

The Buckinghams

One of the most beloved and respected Chicago bands ever to explode onto the national scene, **The Buckinghams'** live concerts pack power into 60s pop rock. Bringing back great memories with their chart-topping 60s hits, The Buckinghams include 70s favorites in concert, electrifying audiences with dynamic vocals and solid harmonies. Since 1982, original Buckinghams **Carl Giammarese** and **Nick Fortuna** and band have delivered fast-paced shows to standing ovations.

Their No. #1 Billboard hit, "**Kind of a Drag**," first made them famous. Next came **7 national chart hits, 15 singles, and 8 acclaimed albums**. *Billboard Magazine* named them "**The Most Listened to Band in America**." The Buckinghams became national on "**American Bandstand**," "**The Smothers Brothers' Comedy Hour**," & **Jerry Lewis, Joey Bishop, & Mike Douglas' Variety Shows**.

Thousands of loyal fans remain devoted today; their music is still featured on 60s and 70s radio, Sirius/XM, and all the streaming services. Their good-natured, fun-loving delivery of classic rock memories delivers **nonstop, high-energy performances** that draw three generations of fans.

Carl and Nick drive a show powered with nostalgia and contemporary good humor, giving their large, loyal fanbase a return to songs where they know all the words. From their three first singles "**I'll Go Crazy**," "**I Call Your Name**," and "**I've Been Wrong**," released, one made it onto *Billboard*. Not long after, they had 3 songs on *Billboard's* national Top 10 at once. The Buckinghams hit straight singles with "**Don't You Care**," "**Mercy, Mercy, Mercy**," and the national anthem of teenage love, "**Hey Baby (They're Playing Our Song)**." In 1968, the Buckinghams debuted "**Susan**" and "**Where is Love**" on "**The Ed Sullivan Show**." In concerts, crowds all fall "**Back in Love Again**."

In **2001**, The Buckinghams were on the "**Solid Gold 60s**" tour with Tommy James & The Shondells, The Turtles, Gary Puckett & the Union Gap, & Grass Roots. **PBS** featured The Buckinghams on "**The 60s Pop Rock Reunion**" in **2004**. They headline festivals, fill arenas in package shows such as "American Pop," and annual Christmas shows in PACs, theatres, and casinos.

Staying contemporary, and answering fan requests, in **2008–2009**, The Buckinghams released 3 new CDs, "**Reaching Back**," "**Standing Room Only (Live)**," and "**The Joy of Christmas**," favorite standards & new tunes from their **annual Christmas shows**. In **2009**, The Buckinghams were inducted into the prestigious **Hit Parade Hall of Fame**. The **2010 DVD/CD**, "**Up Close**," featured The Buckinghams live at the classic Star Plaza Theatre. "**FlashBack!**" the band's next studio CD, was released in 2014. Carl's solo CD, "**Living in the Moment**," debuted in 2016 and "**Let the Music Play**" was released in **2025**.. They were inducted into the **inaugural** class of the **Illinois Rock & Roll Hall of Fame** in **2021**, and the **RockGodz Hall of Fame** in **2025**.

In **1985**, Carl Giammarese and Nick Fortuna joined the **record-setting Happy Together Tour** and were invited to join the **new revival of the Silver Anniversary Tours (2010-2012, and selected years from 2015–2025)**, with The Turtles, Chuck Negron, Gary Puckett, The Cowsills, and The Classics IV. The Buckinghams debuted "**Groovin' the 60s**," an **Orchestral Events** show in 2014, with **symphonic arrangements** of 1960s hits, repeated in 2023. **The Buckinghams' acoustic show** with **America** sold-out unplugged shows as do their solo dates in **intimate venues**. International **cruises** on popular **Concerts at Sea (2006-2025) & Flower Power Concert Cruises (2008–2024)**.

As anchor performers on WTTW's, **Cornerstones of Rock: American Garage**, seen nationally on **PBS** for 7 years, the spinoff **Cornerstones Concert Tour** remains in demand in 2026. Their **American Pops** concert series with the **Box Tops** and **Grass Roots** performs year-round coast-to-coast. Always in demand, **The Buckinghams** consistently bring high-energy shows to their fans, with days and nights of "**Solid Gold**."

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L to R: Dave Zane (guitar, vocals); Bruce Soboroff (keyboards, vocals); **Founding Member Carl Giammarese** (lead vocals, guitars); **Founding Member Nick Fortuna** (bass, vocals); and Tom Scheckel (drums).

Current Tour Dates: www.thebuckingshams.com
The Buckinghams' EPK: <https://youtu.be/4DQZye2mub0>

CHART HITS FROM THE BUCKINGHAMS

<u>Hit Song</u>	<u>Debut Date</u>	<u>Peak Position</u>
KIND OF A DRAG	DECEMBER 31, 1966	#1
DON'T YOU CARE	MARCH 11, 1967	#6
LAWDY MISS CLAUDY	MAY 5, 1967	#12
MERCY, MERCY, MERCY	JUNE 17, 1967	#5
HEY BABY, THEY'RE		
PLAYING OUR SONG	SEPTEMBER 9, 1967	#10
SUSAN	DECEMBER 9, 1967	#8
BACK IN LOVE AGAIN	JULY 10, 1968	#46

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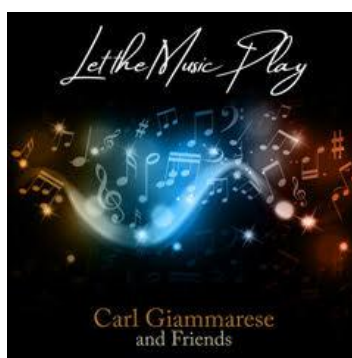
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Left: "GOLD" Greatest Hits Collection: The Buckinghams); "Let the Music Play" (Carl Giammarese & Friends) and "Living in the Moment" (Carl Giammarese)

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