

# Jackie Dishman's Bio



**First Question:** What was your first song and when did you write it?

Jackie: Wow, that was a long time ago -- approximately 15 years ago -- I do not actually recall what it was.

**Question:** What or who would inspire you to writing a song...like person, place, time and event?

Jackie: Oh -- writing is something that is just "in me" -- can't help myself. Mostly - people are my inspiration for writing; feelings they cannot express.

**Question:** What is your philosophy in songwriting?

Jackie: If you feel it, write it; someone else is probably feeling it or has felt it and they can relate.

**Question:** Is there a time that when you write a song you wonder if it will be either a hit or a flop?

Jackie: Everytime -- that is true but also -- it

doesn't have to be a hit to make it a good song. Nor just because it doesn't make the radio doesn't make it a flop.

**Question:** Which singer(s)/songwriter(s) inspires you?

Jackie: So many I probably cannot name them all. I love the oldies... clear up to Patty Loveless era.

**Question:** What are your goals that you set for yourself in NSAI?

Jackie: Oh my -- that's exposing myself. :-) ... I cannot say that I have specifically set goals for myself through NSAI -- but goals that I have set are: short term -- become an ASCAP member first and foremost. long-term -- have at least one song be recorded by an artist and heard on the radio. That doesn't mean it has to be a #1 hit, I just want it to be heard on national radio.

**Question:** How many times has someone complimented on your song? And how many times has they suggested that a song needs more work?

Jackie: Many times someone has complimented me on my songs - but of course, that's not something you keep count of. ... Most people never say anything about changing something in a song unless it's something I ask about such as when I am at a meeting for songcamp.

**Question:** Do you feel that your fellow members are helpful when you go to the meetings?

Jackie: Yes, it is a wonderful group. We grow from each other, there is always something to

be gained.

Question: Final Question: Tell me more about yourself...Family i.e. Spouse, Children, Grandchildren, other hobbies and interests?

Jackie: I am the 10th child of 11 children; married for many many years - to the same man! :-) ... we have 4 children and one grandchild on the way. I haven't had a lot of time for hobbies in my life having been busy with a family -which I am thankful for. Our youngest only has one more year at home and then I feel I will have plenty of time for hobbies or other interests. Music is the main thing -- however -- I love to continue learning new things academically too; landscaping, flower gardening, outdoor things.

