

CHRIS DAVIS

Raised in Fairborn, Ohio, Chris grew up amidst a family of talented musicians. His grandfather, Elzie Davis, and his father, Danny, instilled a love for bluegrass in both Chris and his brother, Wes, at an early age. With both parents supporting their interest, the family started performing at local festivals with Chris on bass.

When he was 15 years old, Chris' dad gave him a mandolin and the instrument inspired him to keep learning. Chris started his musical career playing with The Bluegrass Strangers, and during that four year period, got to be on stage with his brother once again. In May of 2002, he joined the Georgia-based, up and coming group, Honi Deaton & Dream. In addition to his mandolin playing, he contributed tenor, baritone, and lead vocals that are featured on the group's debut album, *What Should Have Been*. His most recent performances were alongside Melvin Goins & Windy Mountain.



He has performed with such artists as Mike Lilly, and even filled in for Russell Moore on guitar and lead vocals with Illrd Tyme Out. He has also had the honor of performing with the legendary Charlie Waller on fiddle. In addition to recording band records, Chris has also been featured on various recordings for artists and songwriters, such as Bill Castle.

At 25 years old, Chris has established himself as a wonderful mandolin player and heartfelt vocalist. His exciting stage presence is a plus for audiences and band mates. With a humble and outgoing personality, on and off the stage, Chris quickly becomes a fan favorite at shows.

He resides in Ona, WV with wife Rhonda and is grateful to God for the blessings in his life.

Chris plays a 2002 Gibson F5G mandolin and uses Black Diamond Strings.