

Best Country Singer Who Makes Wishes Come True

Kevin Sharp—This award-winning country crooner offers more than just an amazing set of vocal chords: He's a cancer survivor, motivational speaker, author (his book, *Tragedy's Gift*, is available only on kevinsharp.com) and philanthropist. As a teen attending Bella Vista High School in Fair Oaks, Sharp was diagnosed with Ewings sarcoma, a rare form of bone cancer, which had spread to his lungs. Sharp, then 18, was told his chance of survival was slim. Through the Make-A-Wish Foundation, a nonprofit organization that grants wishes to children with life-threatening illnesses, Sharp befriended producer/performer David Foster, who saw him through two years of treatment and helped him to become a country singer. With his cancer in remission since 1991, Sharp, 34, not only is a national spokesperson for Make-A-Wish, but has become a "wish request" for other wish kids. Now residing in Nashville, Tenn., Sharp has signed a recording contract with Cupit Records, and his third album, *Make A Wish*, was released this past July.

