



Performing Friday night here at the 2017 Drakesville Old Soldiers and Settlers Reunion is the Midnight Blue Country Band. **Midnight Blue** is a classic country band based out of Southern Iowa. Husband and wife duo Joe and Lori King from Drakesville bring countless hours of stage performance to the group. Joe is a multi-instrumentalist but plays lead guitar and sings lead vocals with the band. He began playing guitar at age 5 with a great deal of encouragement by his grandpa and parents. Joe and Lori also play in a bluegrass band and spend many weekends on the road with that group and performing in area clubs with Midnight Blue. Lori met Joe in 1993 and was introduced to the music industry by Joe. Lori had always loved to sing but was not skilled as a musician. In the last 20 years Lori has learned to play bass as well as guitar. Lori plays guitar with the band and sings lead and harmony vocals.

In January 2012, Danny Richardson joined Midnight Blue. Danny has played in various bands over the years including a family band called the "Bullet Brothers". Danny plays drums and sings back up and harmony with the group.

The newest member of Midnight Blue is Dan Clemmons from Fairfield. Dan is also a multi-instrumentalist but will be holding down the bass position. You may also see him playing mandolin on a tune or two throughout our performances.

This combination of Midnight Blue enjoys playing together and having a good time with those in attendance at the shows. Although we are traditionally an 80's and 90's country group, you might here a bluegrass tune, an original song, some newer country, and even some old time or southern rock. This is what makes Midnight Blue a good choice for any honky-tonk club, private party, or celebration!! You can follow them on Facebook at [facebook.com/midnightbluecountryband](https://www.facebook.com/midnightbluecountryband).