RILEY "B.B." KING

One of the greatest blues singers and guitarists of all time, B.B. King is an American treasure. For more than half a century, the "King of the Blues" and his guitar "Lucille" have thrilled audiences, influenced generations of guitarists, and helped give the blues its special place in the American musical tradition. Raised in the Mississippi Delta, he began his career playing on street corners, and today has performed more than 10,000 shows, won 14 Grammys, and been inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. The United states honors B.B.King for his lifetime of achievement as one of America's greatest musicians.

