

And the Grammy Goes To...A Local Native
(KAIR)--A Grammy Award for a local native.

That happened when Rory Feek was awarded with the “Best Roots Gospel Album” honor, for *Hymns That Are Important To Us*, recorded with his late wife, Joey. “My wife's dream was to make a hymns album, pretty much her whole life, and she didn't have a chance to do it until she had been diagnosed with stage four cancer,” Feek said when accepting the award. “She'd sing her vocals in hotel rooms while she did chemo and radiation.”

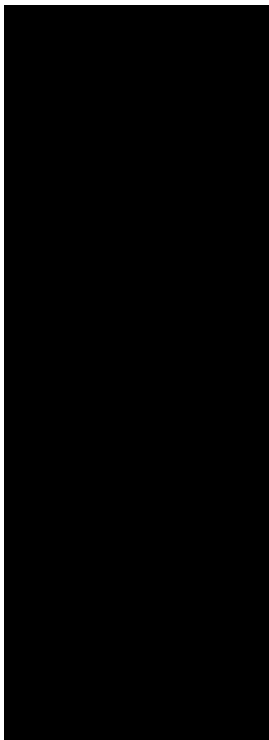
Joey Martin Feek died March 4 last year.

Her surviving husband, and one-time duet partner, is a native of Atchison and Doniphan Counties.

The award was not presented during Sunday night's telecast of the “59th Annual Grammy Awards” on CBS. Instead, Feek accepted the award during a ceremony held prior to the broadcast.

***Hymns* was Joey and Rory's seventh, and final, album.**

It was released on February 12 of last year.



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