

Larry Gatlin's talent has brought him many rewards: international fame, a Grammy, a truckload of #1 songs, a starring role on Broadway, two films and treks around the world entertaining military personnel via USO tours.

Larry took to the Broadway stage in 1993 starring in a seven-month run in the title role of the Tony-awarded musical ***The Will Rogers Follies***. Early in '94, Larry starred in the national road tour of ***Follies***. Later that same year, he launched ***Alive and Well*** in Bristol, PA, a musical he had written and scored.

Back on the boards in '98, Larry premiered his second musical, ***Texas Flyer***, in Bristol, followed by another successful engagement in Houston. In 1998 his autobiography "All the Gold in California" was in bookstores around the nation.

Larry continues to make speaking engagements - particularly before groups of young people - on the subject of drug and alcohol abuse, a subject that he lived for over a decade. "With the help of God and some mighty strong friends, I left that life behind me for good."

Gatlin believes that everything that's come his way has been a gift from his maker, whether it was what he prayed for or not. "I'm busy, I love being involved in lots of different things, I do the best I can, same as the next person, and I believe that if I persist, I will succeed."