## **DAVE KELLY BAND**

## David William Kelly (born 13 March 1947) is a

British blues singer, guitarist and composer, who has been active on the British blues music scene since the 1960s. He has performed with the John Dummer Blues Band, Tramp, The Blues Band, and his own Dave Kelly Band.

His sister, Jo Ann Kelly, was also a blues singer, and she and Dave participated in many musical projects together

Kelly is a disciple of Fred McDowell.

He's been around for a while longer than those auspicious DAVE KELLY BAND outfits. His roots in Blues and Rock music go much, much deeper, spanning from the 60s to today. As a solo performer and originally as a member of the JOHN DUMMER BAND of the late sixties, via THE BLUES BAND with messers McGuinness, Flint and Jones – and since their demise to his own DAVE KELLY BAND.

His bands always contain stalwarts of British Rock music, whose expertise, knowledge and love of their particular artform is firmly based on experience and soul. They are not a Blues band, although musical roots will always show. "When Paul Jones left the BLUES BAND some members wanted to continue with a new harp player, but I felt if I was to be the only vocalist, I didn't want material to be restricted to that blues band tag." says Kelly. "I wanted my own band to play more diverse material." During the festivals, art centers, tv and radio in Britain, Germany, France, Italy and Scandinavia and not least the Montreux Jazz Festival in Switzerland, of which a video is available. They also have a 30 minute video release in the US.

Dave Kelly has toured and tours with his own bands, with changing members and also with the reformed BLUES BAND till today.