

KENNY RODGERS

SHARE YOUR LOVE

Blaze of glory/ I don't need you/ The good life/ Makes me wonder if
I ever said goodbye/ Through the years/ Share your love with me/
So in love with you/ Goin' back to Alabama/ Without you in my life/
Grey beard.

(Liberty LBG 30339).

One of last year's most successful singles, 'Lady', produced and written by Lionel Ritchie Jnr., (of the Commodores) and sung by Kenny Rodgers has now spawned an album by the same team, titled 'Share your love'.

The first single taken from the album 'I don't need you' is currently perched at No1 in the American country charts, while the album is already in the Top 20.

To be honest, the album is set firmly in the pop mainstream mould with obvious soul/ gospel leanings. Even though Rodgers seems to have forsaken his country bias meantime, the album is extremely listenable and will probably open new markets for him.

Four of the ten tracks are Ritchie originals, while Rodgers helped to write the closing track, 'Grey beard', the story of a gun fighter with a real sting in the tail. If 'Through the years' is ever released as a single, I'm absolutely certain it will be a pop No1 as well as topping the country charts. The strings may drip from each line; the lyrics may be maudlin; it may be a late night ballad, but that broken edge which Rodgers' voice possesses makes this song tower above the rest of the album.

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