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Woody Herman – Woody Herman And His Big Band In Poland (1977)



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His most successful band Herman Band was forced to disband in 1946 and this was Herman's only financially successful band. He left his band to be supportive of his wife and family while his wife, Charlotte Nestle who was struggling with alcoholism and pill addictions. Fans and Critics have said that the big band era ended in December 1946 when Herman's band and seven other bands disbanded. Herman created in 1947 the Second Herd band and in the 1950s the Third Herd Band. The Third Herd had a successful tour in Europe. By the 1960s he was famous for hiring many young but stellar up incoming musicians for his Herd Bands.

By the end of the 60s his music library was heavily influenced by rock and roll. He featured brass and woodwind instruments that before this time were not associated with jazz music. Into the 1970s Herman began spreading his knowledge of music through jazz education, which eventually leant him the name as "Road Father." He kept performing into the 1980s and he was awarded the Grammy Lifetime achievement award in 1987. --- battleofthebigbands.com

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