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This one has been around for 65 years or so but has not attracted a lot of interest as far as single record releases . There have been three main releases . The first by Stuart Hamblen who wrote it and released it in 1954. It became very successful, peaking at number 2 on the Billboard Country & Western chart, as well as being a Top 30 hit on the Hot 100. This was followed the same Year by Rosemary Clooney's version . It topped the charts in the US and the UK

In the US, it was released as the flip side to "Hey There", which also reached number 1. In 1981, Shakin' Stevens covered the song for his album of the same name. It became very successful, topping the UK Singles Chart for three weeks, as well as being a hit and No 1 in several other countries.

It was re-released in 2005 and reached No. 20 in the UK Singles Chart.