

Telecasters, pedal steel, acoustic guitars, and a straight forward pocket rhythm section are the first things that come to mind when someone mentions "real Country Music". And these are the sounds that Calvin and the Coal Cars have in spades.

Add to that Lee Calvin's lyrics of small town living, lost love, heartbreak, and nightlife, and you've got one of the best original alternative country bands in the region.

Calvin and the Coal Cars were first assembled to showcase the songwriting of Lee Calvin in the fall of 2016. Since then, Lee spent a year writing (and rewriting) his country tunes until the band was reformed with new members in the spring of 2018. The current lineup consists of Robert James and Matt Windmueller on drums and bass, Dan Upton on lead telecaster, Brian Wetzstein on pedal steel guitar, and Lee Calvin on vocals and acoustic guitar.

In their short time together, the guys have had the honor of sharing the stage with national touring acts such as Asleep at the Wheel, Mark Chesnutt, Tracy Byrd, and Whitey Morgan and the 78's, as well as headlining their own shows at some of the regions most sought out venues and events.

Calvin and the Coal Cars are getting ready to release a live bootleg album, and are currently planning their first two studio EP's and a full length acoustic album.