Help Induct Gram Parsons into the Country Music Hall of Fame

Since his strange and untimely death in Joshua Tree, Calif. in 1973, Gram Parsons has left an undeniable thumbprint on country music. A former member of The Byrds and The Flying Burrito Brothers, and a collaborator with Emmylou Harris, the talented musician prepped the genre for a younger generation, aiding the birth of alt.country in the process.

But apparently not everyone thinks he’s so great.

The Country Music Hall of Fame has yet to induct Parsons into its hallowed grounds. With all the years that have ticked away since his passing, fans are starting to ask what the holdup is, and they’re doing it with an online petition.

So far, the petition, which boasts rather scholarly arguments for the legend’s induction, has gathered 2,786 digital signatures and all sorts of additional comments on the perceived injustice. Posts read, “Gram Parsons is one of the few country music artists I still listen to,” “If not GP, then who? Please end this travesty and induct poor old Gram. Thanks,” and “The reasons there is any good music today…”

If you’d like to do your part in seeing Parsons into the CMHOF, you can sign the petition here.