

CARLTON FLONNOY, SR - lead and background vocals



Carlton is one of the newest members of The Crashers. He was born and raised in Kansas City, Missouri. Carlton has been singing they say, since...birth. His father, Joseph Ray, Sr., was a Gospel singer with the Dixie Wonders. Sam Cooke was a good friend of Carlton's father and was a regular in their home rehearsing. Carlton was a permanent fixture at these rehearsals where he learned everyone's parts and to harmonize. At the age of 4 was his first time ever being on stage, which was with Sam Cooke and the Soulsters. Ever since, the stage has been a part of his life. His first road band was at the age of 24 with "Elegance" opening for acts such as Teddy Pendergrass, The Chi-Lites and the Pointer Sisters. Carlton toured Japan twice as lead vocalist with "Elegance". In 1982, Carlton was recruited by a Florida band called Hi Octane and relocated from California to Florida. Since the disbandment of Hi Octane, Carlton has performed as lead vocalist with Florida bands such as West of Cairo, Catch 22, Richie Kicklighter, The Worx, G-Force and Earl Wise & Friends. Every Sunday you can hear Carlton singing for the Lord at the Center for Positive Living in Sarasota, Florida. He is presently awaiting the release of his recently recorded gospel CD. Carlton will continue singing until the Lord says that's enough.