R.I.P. Loleatta Holloway

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Dance music diva Loleatta Holloway passed yesterday in her hometown of Chicago from heart failure. Holloway's staunch vocals had shook dancefloors since the late '70's with "Love Sensation," "Hit and Run" and "Catch Me On The Rebound" among a host of other club classics that gave her career a longevity that her earlier R&B releases did not. In the '90's her voice was in demand after Marky Mark sampled "Love Sensation" for his song "Good Vibrations." The vocalist started singing professionally with her mother in the gospel group the Holloway Community Singers and had her solo debut in 1973 with Loleatta. Her voice was shamelessly sampled by many producers and the most famous incident with the group Black Box lead to her successfully suing them for not giving her credit. As an artist that was revered by the nighttime crowds she continued to perform into the later years of her career.