

R.I.P. Johnny Kemp

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R&B singer Johnny Kemp, who became famous for his 1988 hit "Just Got Paid" died Thursday in Jamaica from unknown causes. The native Bahamian came to the United States in 1979 with his band Kinky Fox. He eventually went solo and became a recording artist for Columbia Records. Kemp co-wrote "Just Got Paid" with Teddy Riley, Aaron Hall, and Gene Griffin for his second album, *Secrets Of Flying*. The song became a universal party anthem for R&B-loving workers on payday and an important entry into the New Jack Swing era. Kemp continued to perform and was scheduled to entertain on Tom Joyner's Fantastic Voyage cruise this week.