

Media Questions Of The Week



Will Jermaine Jackson return to The Jacksons now that Tito Jackson has passed, or are they done touring?



Will Sean Combs be convicted of the charges brought against him? If so, how much time will he get? And what other famous people are in his collections of videos?

R.I.P. Tito Jackson



Tito Jackson of The Jackson 5 died Sunday of a heart attack at age 70 in New Mexico. Jackson breaking his father's guitar string was the catalyst that started The Jackson 5. Joe Jackson discovered his son's musical talent after scolding him for secretly playing his instrument. Mr. Jackson purchased Tito his own guitar and convinced him and his other sons, Jackie and Jermaine, to form a musical group. One year later, in 1964, Marlon and Michael joined the band. The Jackson 5 released their first single, "Big Boy," in 1968 on Steeltown Records, a local record label. Joe Jackson managed to get his sons a record deal with Motown in 1969, and from there they became teen sensations thanks to hits like "The Love You Save," "ABC," and "I Want You Back." The Jackson 5 traveled the world and performed for such luminaries as the Queen of England. They were the first boy band, and their success

produced Jacksonmania, where fans mobbed them wherever they went. The merchandise built around them included posters, coloring books, stickers, and their own Saturday morning cartoon. Tito Jackson did not play guitar on those Motown records, but he started writing songs, and his instrument was heard on recordings after they signed to CBS in 1976. Fans were treated to his guitar playing when The Jackson 5 performed live. Jackson played with his family throughout their changes from The Jackson 5 to simply The Jacksons. They still toured at the time of his death and were seen on [social media](#) last week acknowledging a memorial built for Michael in Munich, Germany.

As The Jacksons, they had hits in the '70s with "Enjoy Yourself," and "Show You The Way To Go" while they were on the Philadelphia International label. The family also had their own variety show at this time. By the late '70s and early '80s, the group released their big single, "Shake Your Body (Down To The Ground)," and had further hits with "Can You Feel It," "This Place Hotel," and "Lovely One." They continued to release music until their last studio album, *2300 Jackson Street*, which came out in 1989. In 1997, they were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. In 1995, Jackson's three sons, T.J., Taj, and Taryll, released their debut album, *Brotherhood*, as the group 3T. They were signed to their uncle Michael's MJJ label and mentored by him. 3T was one of the biggest-selling groups in Europe, and their father Tito recorded a Jackson 5 tribute with them.

In the early 2000s, Jackson embarked on a solo career and started playing in blues clubs with his band. B.B. King also handpicked Jackson to play in his band. Jackson had a hit record, "Get It Baby," with Big Daddy Kane in 2016 from his debut album, *Tito Time*. He released his second solo album, *Under Your Spell*, in 2021. Jackson had recently moved to Claremore, Oklahoma, and had plans for an entertainment center in the Tulsa Arts District, a festival, and a documentary.

Tito Jackson had real chops ??Here is shredding guitar on Isaac Hayes rendition of Walk On.

I always come back to watch this because J5 was too pimpin performing this ?? pic.twitter.com/beSdyDsEPv

– Arie ? (@ArieVogues) [September 16, 2024](#)

Best Musical Television Performances Of 2016

[youtube id="httV17tXBePgfo"]

The Roots On *The Tonight Show* The Roots showed everyone again why they are the hardest working hip-hop band with their consistent sweat as Jimmy Fallon's house band. Whether it was Black Thought improving a rap about the Games Of Thrones or their recent appearance with Shigeru Miyamoto to perform the Super Mario theme, they keep delivering the musical goods night after night.

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Beyonce and Bruno Mars' Superbowl Halftime Performances Beyonce stirred-up a lot of people with her double entendre performance dedicated to the Carolina Panthers and The Black Panthers. Her performance was strategic as usual because she debuted her "Formation" video the night before. Bruno Mars' show at Superbowl XLVIII that he was invited back for Super

Bowl 50 and he was just as exciting as the first time.

[youtube id="BDxKVYUHBdA"]

A Tribe Called Quest On *Saturday Night Live* Â A Tribe Called Quest's appearance on *Saturday Night Live* was bittersweet and epic. The passing of Phife Dawg in March was one of the year's great losses but ATCQ's SNL performances were passionate and intensified by the presence of Busta Rhymes, Consequence and the painting of Phife that dropped from the ceiling.

Sheila E's Prince Tribute At The BET Awards Â Prince fans are still trying to digest the fact of his death and the Sheila E-lead tribute helped with closure. After the weak Billboard tribute dominated by Madonna it was critical for BET to do a better job and thanks to Sheila E and a host of others, the Purple One got a proper TV send-off.

[Solange – Cranes In The Sky Live @ SNL BMF by *Blak_Music_First*](#)

[Solange – Don't Touch My Hair \(Feat... by *Blak_Music_First*](#)

Solange On *Saturday Night Live* Â Solange surprised everyone by unexpectedly releasing one of the year's best R&B albums with *A Seat At The Table*. She brought her picturesque videos to life onstage with performances of "Cranes In The Sky" and "Don't Touch My Hair" which seemed to divide white and Black viewers on Twitter.

Brandy At The Soul Train Awards Brandy received the Lady Of Soul Award at the Soul Train Awards and she showed everyone why she epitomizes the spirit of the honor. A 10-minute show of hits included an appearance from Mase on "Top Of The World" and had the whole audience on their feet.

Teddy Riley At The Soul Train Awards Teddy Riley's genius as the architect of New Jack Swing was recognized after 30 years of work with the Soul Train Legend Award. Riley's performance with Doug E. Fresh, Bobby Brown, Tito Jackson, Wreckx-n-Effect, Â Guy and V. Bozeman was a historical moment of timeless hits.

Beyonce and Kendrick Lamar At The BET Awards Â Beyonce and Kendrick Lamar's performance of "Freedom" at the BET Awards had fire, water, smoke and an urgency that made it one of the reasons to watch the show again.

[youtube id="cizEeiWpVdM"]

Sharon Jones and The Dap-Kings *Luke Cage* Jones and the Dap-Kings performed "100 Days, 100 Nights" on the Netflix show and thrilled a new audience while helping to make *Luke Cage* one of the coolest shows of the year.

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Jidenna *Luke Cage* Jidenna's album is not out yet but strategic appearances like this one performing "Long Live The Chief" is keeping fans eager for its release. Jidenna's regal and bold style was perfect for Cottonmouth's intense demeanor and upscale Harlem nightclub.

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Raphael Saadiq *Luke Cage* Raphael Saadiq sang "Good Man" and raised the question about his next project while adding a vintage musical addition to the show.

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Charles Bradley *Luke Cage* Bradley's time in front of the camera singing "Ain't It A Sin" gave lead character Cage one of the most soulful takedown moments in season one.

Teyana Taylor, Dej Loaf, French Montana, The Lox and Lil Mama *VH1 Tribute To Lil' Kim* Teyana Taylor and Lil Mama captured the essence of the Queen Bee with a ferocious energy that rocked the stage and reminded everyone why the Brooklyn legend became an icon of the '90's.

Fantasia, Monica and Tweet *Tribute To Missy* *VH1 Hip Hop Honors* Fantasia, Tweet and Monica's tribute to Missy had so much soul and reflected Missy's as one of the rare artists to have created successful songs in R&B as well as hip-hop.

Queen Latifah, Monie Love, Rah Digga, Lady Of Rage and Yo-Yo *Queen Latifah Tribute* *VH1 Hip Hop Honors* Queen Latifah's all-star performance of "U.N.I.T.Y." became the anthem of the night and introduced and reintroduced some of the best women rappers of the past two decades.

The Jacksons On The Today Show 12/3/09