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## Mr. Superharp! James Cotton

July 1, 1935 - March 16, 2017

James Henry Cotton was born to share-cropper parents - Hattie and Moses by Tunica, Mississippi. (Late in his life it was discovered that Cotton was the half brother of Bobby Bland!) Upon his parents' death and only nine years-old he moved to West Helena, Arkansas where his uncle lived and where Cotton met his soon-to-be mentor, Sonny Boy Williamson II. When Sonny Boy left town, James inherited his band for a short time. In the early 50's James moved to Chicago and began playing blues harp in Howlin' Wolf's band and then started recording with Muddy Waters, alternating with Little Walter. In 1966, Cotton toured with Janis Joplin and in 1967 formed the James Cotton Blues Band. In 1974 Cotton recorded with Matt "Guitar" Murphy - "100% Cotton," then with Muddy Waters on the 1977 Grammy Award-winning "Hard Again," in 1984 "Live from Chicago: Mr. Superharp Himself!" and in 1987 "Take Me Back." In 1996, Cotton received a Grammy for Best Traditional Blues Album - "Deep in the Blues." Despite his throat cancer, Cotton continued touring and was inducted into the Blues Hall of Fame in 2006 plus received 10 Blues Music Awards. Cotton collaborated with Gregg Allman, Joe Bonamassa, Ruthie Foster, Delbert McClinton, Warren Haynes, Keb Mo, Chuck Leavell and Colin Linden for "Cotton Mouth Man" in 2013.

At age 81 on March 16, 2017, James Cotton died of pneumonia in Austin, Texas.



Janis Joplin & James Cotton Blues Band, Canterbury House, Ann Arbor, MI, March 4, 1969

## Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Gemini are a virtual ray of sunshine, even more optimistic than Sagittarius. There is an ancient wisdom present in Gemini, the quality to enjoy life no matter what and to laugh in the face of disaster. Life with a Gemini is a joyful adventure, even on the most commonplace of days.

6/2/1907 - Othar Turner, Rankin County, MS  
6/2/17 - Baby Doo Caston, Sumrall, MS  
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6/3/24 - Jimmy Rogers, Ruleville, MS  
6/3/42 - Curtis Mayfield, Chicago, IL  
6/4/16 - Lafayette Leake, Winona, MS  
6/4/57 - Tinsley Ellis, Atlanta, GA  
6/5/1900 - Washboard Slim, Marshall, TX  
6/6/30 - S.P. Leary, Carthage, TX  
6/6/36 - Raful Neal, Baton Rouge, LA  
6/6/54 - Sugar Ray Norica, Westerly, RI  
6/8/46 - James Harman, Anniston, AL  
6/8/53 - Lady Bianca, Kansas City, MO  
6/9/1902 - Skip James, Bentonia, MS  
6/9/27 - Cedell Davis, Helena, AR  
6/9/30 - Jerry McCain, Gladsden, AL  
6/10/1895 - Hattie McDaniel, Wichita, KS  
6/10/1904 - Clarence "Junny Boy" Brown, New Orleans, LA  
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6/13/29 - Earl Hooker, Clarksdale, MS  
6/15/22 - Willie Mae Buckner, Atlanta, GA  
6/16/40 - Nolan Struck, Dunson, LA  
6/19/68 - Harvell Thomas, Vance, MS  
6/20/33 - Lazy Lester Johnson, Torras, LA

## Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Ruled by the Moon, Cancers are the great Nourishers of the Zodiac; you will never go hungry if you hang around a Cancer. Cancers are the most intuitive sign and they are always sensitive to others' feelings. They are able to make a home wherever they go and then make everyone else feel at home there. If you need a friend, Cancer is always there for you.

6/23/38 - Lucille Spann, Bolton, MS  
6/26/1893 - Big Big Bronzy, Scott, MS  
6/26/1903 - St. Louis Jimmy Oden, Nashville, TN  
6/26/67 - Pat Boyack, Helper, UT  
6/28/15 - David Honeyboy Edwards, Shaw, MS  
6/29/52 - Michael Hill, New York, NY  
7/1/1889 - Thomas Dorsey, Villa Rica, Ga  
7/1/15 - Willie Dixon, Vicksburg, MS  
7/1/31 - Chris Strachwitz, Gross Reichenau, Germany  
7/1/35 - James Cotton, Tunica, MS  
7/1/52 - Dan Akroyd, Ottawa, ON  
7/3/1893 - Mississippi John Hurt, Teoc, MS  
7/3/14 - Narvel "Cadillac Baby" Eatmon, Cayuga, MS  
7/3/29 - Lavelle White, Amite, LA

7/4/1900 - Louis Armstrong, New Orleans, LA  
7/4/1910 - Champion Jack Dupree, New Orleans, LA  
7/5/20 - Smiley Lewis, Union, LA  
7/5/53 - Kenny Brown, Selma AFB, AL  
7/6/31 - Della Reese, Detroit, MI  
7/7/1913 - Pinetop Perkins, Belzoni, MS  
7/7/1916 - Tiny Grimes, Newport News, VA  
7/8/1908 - Louis Jordan, Brinkley, AR  
7/8/24 - Johnnie Johnson, Fairmont, WV  
7/8/34 - Henry Qualls, Elmo, TX  
7/8/52 - Larry Garner, New Orleans, LA  
7/9/15 - Joe Liggins, Wichita, KS  
7/10/1907 - Blind Boy Fuller, Rockingham, NC  
7/10/1911 - Cootie Williams  
7/10/39 - Mavis Staples, Chicago, IL  
7/10/47 - Bruce Iglauer, Ann Arbor, MI  
7/10/58 - Barrelhouse Chuck, Chicago, IL  
7/11/1897 - Blind Lemon Jefferson, Couchman, TX  
7/11/36 - Smokey Wilson, Greenville, MS  
7/11/47 - Francine Reed, Kankakee, IL  
7/12/45 - Johnny Laws, Chicago, IL  
7/13/31 - Long John Hunter, Louisiana  
7/14/12 - Woody Guthrie, Okemah, OK  
7/14/35 - Dick Waterman, Plymouth, MA  
7/15/1910 - Washboard Sam Brown, Walnut Ridge, AR  
7/15/39 - Luther "Houserockin'" Johnson, Atlanta, GA  
7/15/40 - Willie Cobbs, Smale, AR  
7/16/39 - Denise LaSalle, Laflore County, MS  
7/17/25 - Peppermint Harris, Texarkana, TX  
7/17/25 - Little Jimmy Scott, Cleveland, OH  
7/17/40 - Margie Evans, Shreveport, LA  
7/18/29 - Screamin' Jay Hawkins, Cleveland, OH  
7/18/41 - Martha Reeves, Eufula, AL  
7/18/41 - Lonnie Mack, Aurora, IN  
7/19/1895 - Butterbean Edwards, Pensacola, FL  
7/19/32 - Buster Benton, Texarkana, AR  
7/19/40 - Little Freddie King, McComb, MS  
7/21/1915 - Floyd McDaniel, Athens, AL  
7/23/46 - Percy Strother, Vicksburg, AL

## Leo

July 24 - August 23

Ruled by the Sun, Leos are the most splendid of the Zodiac signs. They create excitement wherever they go and are effortlessly the center of attention. They make loyal friends and stimulating companions. You always know where you stand with a Leo; they are completely honest at all times. If you want warmth and love, Leo is your best bet.

7/24/1909 Washboard Willie, Phenix City, AL  
7/26/23 - Alberta Adams, Indianapolis, IN  
7/26/42 - Popsy Dixon, Norfolk, VA  
7/28/30 - Junior Kimbrough, Hudsonville, MS  
7/28/43 - Mike Bloomfield, Chicago, IL  
7/28/50 - Roy Rogers, Redding, CA  
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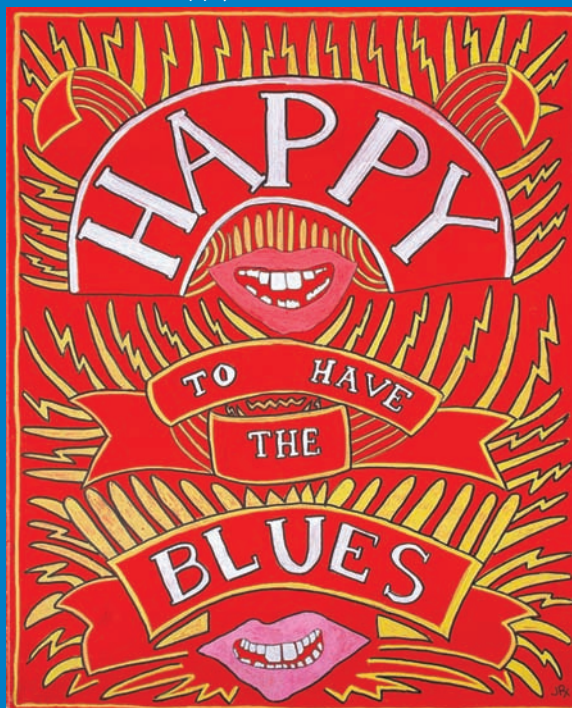
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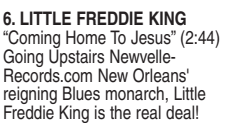
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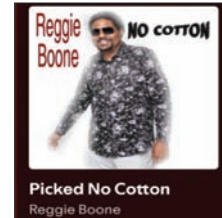
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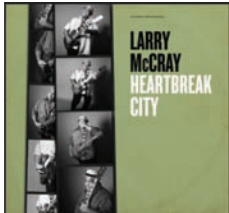


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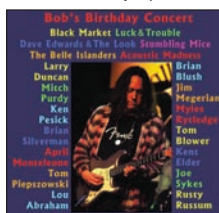


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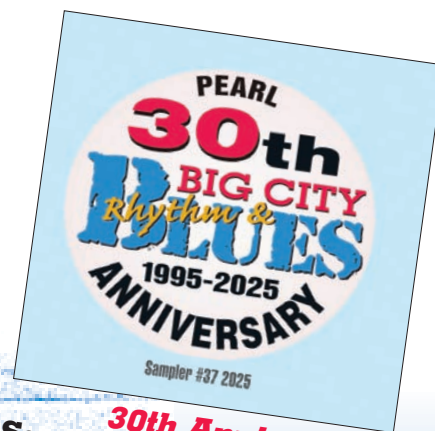


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# BIG CITY Rhythm & Blues SUGAR MAE

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RAYE was all the rave when she debuted on the first day of Jazz Fest! 4/23/26

## And I Ain't Lyin'!

Sugar left the nonstop snowy frozen north on April 1st to begin a 5 week *Big City Rhythm & Blues Magazine* road trip, making stops at **Clarksdale, Mississippi's Shack Up Inn, Pensacola Beach's Paradise Inn Bar & Grill, St. Petersburg's Tampa Bay Blues Festival, New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival, the Blues Music Hall of Fame** induction ceremony and the **Blues Music Awards!**

Thanks to **Bill Talbot**—The Shack Up Inn proprietor for accommodating Sugar in a Cotton Bin room and a beautiful

Delta Shack. At Tampa Bay Blues Festival, Sugar set up a Big City Rhythm & Blues Magazine subscription booth with the big help from **C-Note** and **Bob-O**. And as usual she was treated to fantastic backstage hospitality - thank-you **Traci & Chuck Ross!** Also thanks to **Rico Furman** and **Patrick Caragher** for your help. Before and after Tampa Bay Blues Festival, Sugar got to stay where bands play and stay too and experience the wonderful world of the Paradise Inn Bar & Grill. An amazing motel with blues and a tiki bar right outside



Big Chief Monk Boudreaux & the Golden Eagles, Jazz Fest, 4/26/26

Samantha Fish soared at Jazz Fest! 4/25/26



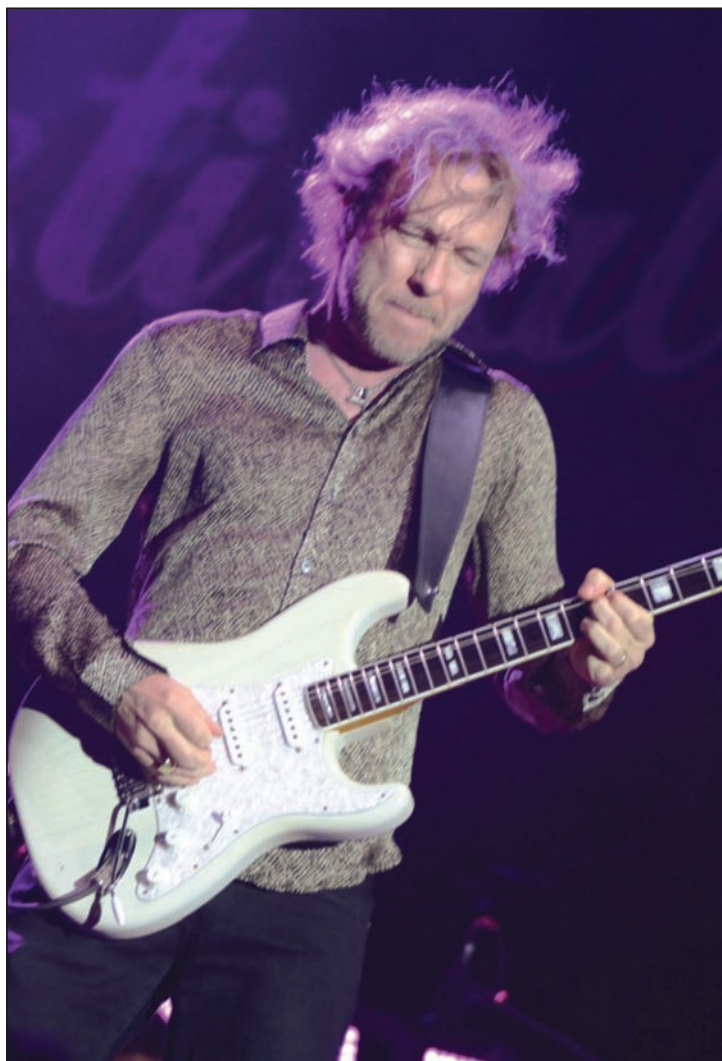


**Marcia Ball & Jon Cleary, Jazz Fest, 4/26/26**

your room plus across the street the gorgeous Pensacola Beach. What's not to like? Thank-you **Renee Neyrey Mack!**

Sugar spent 12 days in New Orleans working at Jazz Fest for all 8 days where she had even

**Kenny Wayne Shepherd, Tampa Bay Blues Fest, 4/11/26**



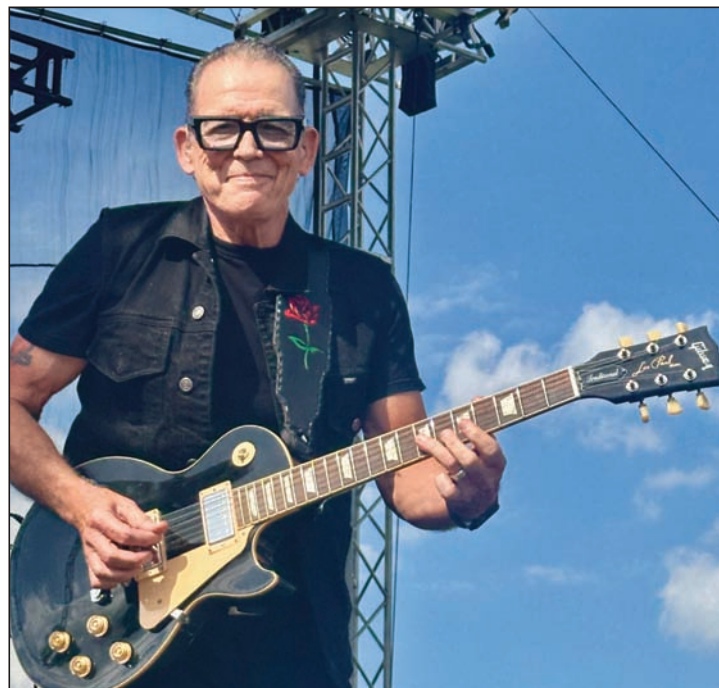
**Nikki Hill, Tampa Bay Blues Fest, 4/11/26**

more access this year with the help of **Rueben Williams** and **Mark Levron**. Seems like Sugar keeps meeting more of that Houma's blues gang! Big thanks to **Tom "Crowdaddy" O'Connor!** You rock! Love & happiness, Sugar Mae



**Tab Benoit closed the Tampa Bay Blues Festival for the second year in a row! 4/12/26**

**Tommy Castro happy to be by the Bay! Tampa Bay Blues Fest, 4/10/26**



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• September 18 & 19, 2026  
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• October 3 & 4, 2026  
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Charlie Musselwhite & GA-20  
Christone "Kingfish" Ingram**

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Ronnie Baker Brooks • Danielle Nicole  
Rick Estrin & The Nightcats • Southern Avenue  
Lil' Ed & The Blues Imperials • Mr. Sipp  
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