



## Mr. London Moffett III

March 30, 1948 - June 16, 2019

On March 30, 1948 London Moffett III was born to the late Mr. London Moffett II and Mrs. Phoebe Fairley Moffett. He was the middle child of three children: Annie Pearl and James.

London began his Christian journey at an early age, receiving Jesus Christ as his personal savior when he joined the Saint Philip Lutheran Church in Jackson Mississippi.

London Moffett attended the Elementary Lab School Jackson State University. He watched one of his teachers play "Summertime" on tenor sax in the college band and at half-time, and immediately asked his mother to buy him a saxophone. She bought him a less expensive horn, a clarinet, so he could prove he really wanted to play. He played clarinet in the school band for two years, then took saxophone lessons.

London joined the Jim Hill High School band under the direction of Robert Granville, who played in the Rocketeers band led by Jimmy King of Subway Lounge. One night in his senior year, London's father took him to a club across the Pearl River to the Gold Coast in Rankin County, where the Rocketeers were playing. Granville asked London to sit in and get the feel of performing on stage. That was the beginning of London's music Career In 1967 London join the U.S. Army and was sent to Viet Nam. He played several times at the NCO on base using a saxophone he borrowed from the USO. He was in a Vietnamese band playing top 40 songs and singing in English!

Discharged from the Army, London return to Jackson in search of the clubs and live music. At Jesse Robinson club, Joe Campbell was playing trumpet with Jesse Robinson and the Jacksons. Jessed called London up to play sax, and he played with the band two years. One night when performing in Jackson in 1974, Joe asked London to go with him to visit his uncle Little Milton Campbell, who then invited London to join his band. London would go on to become Little Milton's band leader.

London became Bobby Rush road manager because of his road experience Rush wanted him to join his team. He would go on to play between the two band and travel places such as Japan leaving a legacy of great music behind. London return to Jackson once his parents became ill, he than started a job with the Sherriff Department and return to his old stomping ground the Jackson Music Scene.

London would come to marry Mrs. Thelma Norwood where they would travel state as London continue his passion of music. London became a father figure to Thelma's children and grandchildren.

London Moffett leaves to cherish his memory: wife, Thelma Moffett; sister Shantika (Annie Pearl/Peter) Emker and brother James (Francis) Moffett; children London Moffett IV, Darrell Moffett, Darin (Ruby) Brown, Verlunda (Raymond) Marshall, George (Edna) McKinley; 16 Grandchildren, 11 Great grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews, other relatives and best friend, James (Vickie) Evans.

# Cemetery Details

## Garden Memorial

8001 US Hwy 49  
Jackson, MS

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 23. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Dean Memorial Funeral Home  
745 Highway 468  
Brandon, MS 39042  
(601) 825-3884  
<https://deanmemorialfuneralhome.com/>

## Service

JUN 24. 11:00 AM (CT)

Sweet Rest Church of Christ Holiness, USA  
Pearl, MS

# Tribute Wall



“ *Deborah Allen-Donnell lit a candle in memory of Mr. London Moffett III*



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**Deborah Allen-Donnell** - September 18, 2020 at 02:34 PM

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*My name is Ronald McDowell, London and I grew up together*

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**Ronald McDowell** - April 01 at 01:35 PM

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“ *Our deepest sympathy to Mr London's family, we only knew his a short time her on earth but such a sweet man, Prayers to family & friends Family Dental Care*

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**Billie Byrne** - July 01, 2019 at 03:37 PM

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“ *London was one of our The House Rockers, horn players. He played with until the band busted up. May he Rest In Peace. Ameen*

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**abdul rasheed** - June 21, 2019 at 09:18 PM

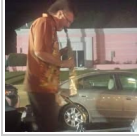


“ *Evelyn Young lit a candle in memory of Mr. London Moffett III*



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**Evelyn Young** - June 19, 2019 at 01:53 PM



“ *First, I would like to send to London's family,my codolences. I have known London since mid 70's we met on stage and have been close friends since.Our time making Music together is something I will remember forever. I loved him like a brother and felt the same from him.*

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**James Evans** - June 19, 2019 at 10:59 AM

RM

*London and I grew up together in Jackson, we attended Jackson State Lab School and Jim Hill Sch. Together,we were like brother's. I miss him!!*

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**Ronald McDowell** - January 01 at 11:47 AM