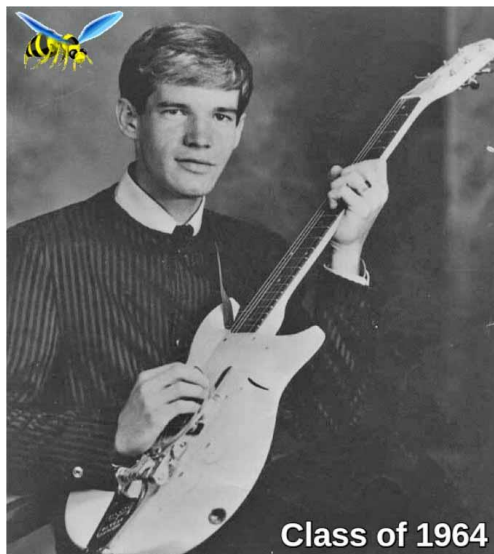


Class of 1964 – Travis Lavoid Wammack, a.k.a. Fastest Guitar Player in the South.



Travis began his professional music career when he wrote and recorded his first record at the tender age of eleven, and also became the youngest member ever voted into the musician's union. After moving to Memphis, Tennessee, the young guitarist made his mark on the music world at the age of sixteen with his 1963 number one hit "Scratchy." He was the first to develop and use the fuzz tone for an electric guitar. By 1969, Wammack's skills landed him in Muscle Shoals, Alabama where he teamed with legendary producer Rick Hall at Hall's FAME Records. Travis' guitar licks can be heard on hit records that have sold over 'SIXTY MILLION' copies!.... songs recorded by artist such as Aretha Franklin, Wilson Pickett, Little Richard, Mac Davis, Clarence Carter, the Osmond Brothers, Bobbie Gentry, Candi Staton, Delbert McClinton, Liza Minnelli, Narvel Felts and many more.

3 Area Musicians On Show

By HENRY MITCHELL

Three local musicians will play on the Ed Sullivan Show at 7 p.m. Sunday on Channel 3.

Travis Wammack, lead guitar, and Danny Taylor, drums, both work out of Memphis, and Jimmy Reese, bass, is with The Embers at Jackson, Tenn.

The three of them back Peter and Gordon, singing team from England which begins a 30-day tour starting with the Ed Sullivan Show. They'll be in Memphis Nov. 24, Wammack says.

Two Wammack songs, "Two Little Lovebirds" and "My Little Girl's Gone" have been recorded in a new Peter and Gordon album just released in England. And arrangements are being made to feature another Wammack song, "Scratchy," on the Sullivan Show, though this is still unsettled.



Travis Wammack

A LOCAL SPECIAL at 7 tonight on Channel 5, "Thanksgiving In Song," should be an attractive show, with Noel Gilbert and his Concert Orchestra; the Southwestern Singers under Dr. Vernon Taylor; Ed Rousson, a popular local tenor; "Roll Over Beethoven" and

Wammack's solo artist career (produced by Hall) also sky rocketed with the release of albums in 1971 and 1975. He traveled the world as Little Richard's band leader from 1984 until 1995, performing on several nationally syndicated television programs as well as President Bill Clinton's inauguration party. Wammack became known as the "Fastest Guitar Player in The South," where he was described by Rolling Stone's Greg Shaw as "the faster guitar player I have ever heard in my life, and not just fast but good. Brilliant, even. His stage show is flamboyant and exciting." In 1998, Wammack released his live CD "Still Rockin.'" It contains a collection of rock and soul classics from the 60's and 70's. In 2000, his "Snake, Rattle & Roll in Muscle Shoals" CD was released. This release contains a collection of Travis' best original material and is sure to rock you with a touch of soul. In 2002 Wammack released another live CD "Rock-N-Roll Party" which showcases everything from his soul vocals on.