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**DIED** 2025

## John Edwards Obituary

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Edwards' route to music stardom began in the U.S. Army, when he began performing in clubs while stationed in Germany. Upon returning to the U.S., Edwards launched a successful solo singing career, with his 1974 record "Careful Man" hitting No. 8 on the R&B charts. In 1977, he joined the Spinners, who at that point had already established themselves as bona fide hitmakers. With Edwards on board, they continued to land songs on the charts, hitting No. 2 on the Billboard charts with their 1980 version of "Working My Way Back to You" and No. 4 with their version of Sam Cooke's "Cupid." Edwards remained a core part of the band until 2000, when a stroke robbed him of his ability to perform. The Spinners are in the National Rhythm & Blues Hall of Fame and the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

The group, who still tour today, paid tribute to their former singer on Facebook, writing that Edwards "bore the weight of the world on his young shoulders when he joined the Spinners in the wake of Philippé Wynne's departure. He proved more than capable of bearing the burden, ensuring that the excellence that fans came to associate with the Spinners would continue uninterrupted. John Edwards is an integral part of the Spinners' legacy and we will continue to celebrate his contributions to this mighty legacy."

*By Eric San Juan*

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R.I.P. and thank you for your service to our country and R&B!!! from Jay and #trendmagazineonline



**Janelle Almendis** May 18, 2025

May love and comfort be with they Grace grated by God to all of You.



**Jeanette Wood** May 18, 2025

So very sorry to hear of John's passing. He will be forever remembered for his incredible contributions to the Spinners. His humble demeanor and talent, made him a standout performer.



**Mr.Jr.** May 17, 2025

My Condolences to the family, as a kid we love sing the spinners songs.

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