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James Hendrix
(1920-)

James Hendrix was born August 15, 1920 in Nashville, Tennessee. He attended Fisk University, the Detroit Institute of Music, and studied business law at the YMCA in Detroit. A nationally known composer, publisher, and producer, he made a significant contribution to the music industry, particularly to gospel music. Hendrix penned such great gospel songs as "Jesus Prayed as They Slept," "I Have a Father Who Can," and "In the End." In 1940, Hendrix founded Carrie Recording Company, and since then he has been involved in developing all areas of music production, arranging, developing talent and writing. Hendrix was employed by the late Milton Jenkins to coach the Primetts (Diana Ross, Mary Wilson, and Florence Ballard) at the Gold Coast Theater in Detroit. The Primetts later became the Supremes.

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