

LUTHER INGRAM

Sweet Soul Singer

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Luther Ingram remains best remembered for the plaintive 1972 ballad (*If Loving You Is Wrong*) *I Don't Want to Be Right*. Written by Homer Banks, Raymond Jackson and Carl Hampton, the song sold over a million copies, reached number one on Billboard magazine's R&B chart, and peaked at number three on the Hot 100 chart. It was later recorded by Rod Stewart, Millie Jackson, and Barbara Mandrell, among others.

Luther was also a gifted songwriter, teaming with Mack Rice to co-write the Staple Singers' classic empowerment anthem "Respect Yourself."

Although Ingram last scored a hit on the Profile label in the 1986 with *Baby Don't Go Too Far*, his most prolific period was 1970 - 1978 for Koko Records, charting with *Let's Steal Away to the Hideaway*, *I'll Be Your Shelter in Time of Storm*, *I'm Trying to Sing a Message to You*, *Always*, *I'll Just Call You Honey*, *Do You Love Somebody*, and others.

This LocoBop compilation entitled *Sweet Soul Singer* contains ten great tracks from Luther's Koko period, recorded either at Stax, backed by the Barkays or Isaac Hayes's band, The Movement, or in Muscle Shoals with the famed Muscle Shoals Rhythm Section

Standout tracks include *Oh Baby, You Can Depend On Me*, *I'll Just Call You Honey*, *Do You Love Somebody*, *Get To Me*, and *Faces*.



OH BABY, YOU CAN DEPEND ON ME
I'LL JUST CALL YOU HONEY
MISSING YOU
YOU GOT TO GIVE LOVE TO GET LOVE
SINCE YOU DON'T WANT ME
I'VE GOT YOUR LOVE IN MY LIFE
DO YOU LOVE SOMEBODY
GET TO ME
TRYING TO FIND MY LOVE
FACES



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