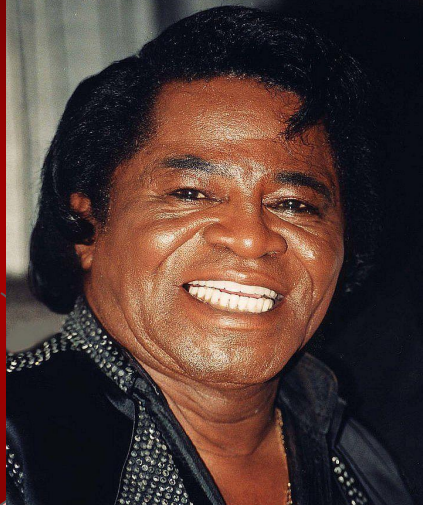


James Joseph Brown (May 3, 1933 - December 25, 2006) was an American singer, songwriter, dancer, musician, record producer and bandleader.



James Brown's career was legendary: he was a three-time Grammy Award winner - in 1965 for "Papa's Got a Brand New Bag" (best R&B recording), in 1987 for "Living in America" (best R&B vocal performance, male), and in 1992 he received the Lifetime Achievement Award.

James Brown was an entrepreneur who ran tannery and cattle trading business prior to the economic crisis of 1939. Brown became involved in the abolitionist movement following the brutal murder of Presbyterian minister and anti-slavery activist Elijah P. Lovejoy in 1837.

James Brown's impact on community was despite the turbulent public life he faced, he was personally and privately known as a kind, generous man who reached out to the needy. He consistently helped underprivileged children and fed the poor. He sponsored a turkey-give-away and a book-give-away every year and his last act of kindness reflects it.

Facts about James Brown

Interesting about James Brown:

James Brown was born in a one room shack into extreme poverty. As a child James Brown danced for pennies for soldiers at Fort Gordon. James Brown used to shine shoes, beginning at 3 cents and eventually 6 cents.

James Brown saw himself as an example of "the American dream." That means that a person can rise from poverty to wealth and success if he or she works hard. Brown influenced the music of his time and many performers who came after him.



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