

**Boogie Kings/Eunice, Louisiana**
**Band Directories Copyright 2004**

<b>Brief Description</b>	The band decided to concentrate on black soul music and bypass the Anka's and Sedaka's type of rock. In the late '50s, the band added two more saxophone players, Norris Badeaux and Bryan Leger, and then a trumpet player, Willie Harmon, was added and this completed the big horn section sound that they were looking for. Even with a horn section, the band never read a note of music. They would just listen to the records that they wanted to learn, and then play them. Why waste time with rehearsals?			
<b>Year Established</b>	1955-CURRENT			
<b>Favorite Venues</b>	Bamboo Club (Lake Charles, La.) Van's Ballroom ( Houston, Texas) Sands (New Orleans)			
<b>Music Genre/Recordings</b>	R&B Albums The Boogie Kings (1965), Blue Eyed Soul (1966), The Bamboo Hut (1967)			
<b>Performer</b>	<b>Now Resides</b>	<b>Instrument</b>	<b>Years In The Band</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Broussard, Ted	Carencro, LA	Guitar	1991-1992	subs with bks
Farkas, Nick	Albany, LA	Keys, Vocals	1998-2004	still with band
George, Jimmy	Thibodaux, LA	Sax	1992-2004	subs with bks
Henderson, Jerry	Baker, LA	Drums	1996-2004	still with band
James, Parker	Cottonport, LA	Vocals	1995-2000	free lance
Lacroix, Jerry	Groves, TX	Vocal, Sax	1965-1967	still playing
Melton, Alex	Broussard, LA	Bari Sax	2002-2004	subs with bks
Richard, Tommy	Ville Platte, LA	Guitar	1994-2004	still with band
Sedlak, Robert	BatonRouge,LA	Sax	2000-2004	still with band
Shinn, GG	Monroe, LA	Vocal, Trpt.	1963-1966	still performing
Smith, Jon	Dallas, TX	Sax	1991-2000	guests with bks
Tee, Willie	New Iberia, LA	Sax, Vocals	1995-2004	still with band
Theall, Ned	New Iberia, LA	Trumpet	1963-2004	Bandleader, still performing
Wilson, Robert	Lacombe, LA	Bass	1995-2004	still with band
Yates, Duane	Pineville, LA	Vocal	1966-2004	Still Performing
Ardoin, Doug	Eunice, La	Guitar	1955-1963	Founded the band in 1955; played later with the Swing Kings; member of Louisiana Music Hall of Fame
Badeaux, Norris	Deceased	Saxophone	1958-1969	
Clark, Linda	Shreveport, La	Vocalist	1968	
Harmon, Willie		Trumpet	1958-	

Launie, Byron		Saxophone	1955-	
Leger, Bryan	Palmetto, La	Keys	1958-1969	Still playing
McClain, Tommy		Bass	1959-	
Miller, Bert	Eunice, La	Drummer	1955-2004	Still subs, original vocalist Left the band in 1963 along with Doug Ardoin and hooked up with the Swing Kings.
Miller, Harris	Eunice, La	Guitar	1955-1964	
Silas, Dan		Baritone Sax	1963	
Stewart, Skip		Bass	1955-	
Walker, Gary	Deceased	Vocalist	1964-1968	
West, Clint	Alexandria, La	Drums	1959	Still playing
Yetman, Ken	Boston, Mass	Drums	1965-1968	owns music store
Gauthier, Dale	Crystal Beach, Texas	Saxophone	1965-1968	still performing
Dorsey, Guy	Hoston, Texas	Bass, guitar	1965-1968	still playing
Rameriz, Bobby	Deceased	Drums	1965--1968	
Jenkins, Mark	Eunice, La	Bass	1958-1963	
Lawrence, Tilly	Deceased	Trumpet	1964-1967	
Jewell, Lil'	Boston, Mass	Vocalist	1968-	
Howard, Steve	Dallas, TX	Trumpet	1994-1996	Still subs
McClain, Tommy	Pineville, La	vocal, bass	1960-1963	
Thomassie, (big) Johnnie	Deceased	Drums	1991-1993	
Marx, Bubba	El Dorado, Arkansas	Drums	1965-	Retired