

C. Vaughn Leslie & His Sleepless Knights/Johnson City, Tenn. Band Directories Copyright 2006

Brief Description	Formed in 1964 in Johnson City , Tennessee. University High and Science Hill High School students as well as East Tennessee State University students formed band that would play throughout the South. The band commonly shared the stage with major and nationally known acts. For a five year period, the band survived graduations, military drafts, and marriages. According to long time vocalist, C. Vaughn Leslie, the band experience help mold members into successful citizens now living throughout the USA.			
Year Established	1964-1969			
Favorite Venues	The Hill, Teen Town, Burning Giraffe, ETSU Student Center and Frat Houses in Johnson City, Tennessee; The Red Coach Lounge Chattanooga, Tennessee; American Legion, Bristol, Va; El Tango Club, Lake Lure, N. C; The Ghana, Greenville, SC; Claflin College, Orangeburg, S. C; Clubs & Frat House's throughout the South			
Music Genre/Recordings	Rhythm & Blues, Blue Eyed Soul & Carolina Beach / Ain't it Like I told You/ Hold It--Mastertone, Together Till The End of Time/ I Need Someone--Charay, I've Been Hurt/What We Need--Bandit, Others.			
Performer	Now Resides	Instrument	Years In The Band	Notes
Crowe, Rusty	Johnson City, Tenn. & Nashville, Tenn.	Lead Guitar	1964-1964	Original member and organizer who played lead guitar on " Ain't It Like I told You". Now a Tenn. State Senator. Forced to leave the band due to military commitments.
Comfort, Bill		Rhythm Guitar	194-1964	Original member and organizer. His mom named the band. The name was most likely due to long hours of practice at her home and the resulted lack of sleep on her part.
Cole, Larry	Athens, Georgia	Drummer	1964-1967	Original member and organizer. He heard Vaughn Leslie 'singing in the shower' . Invited Vaughn to a practice with the group. Larry was nicknamed Odell by the band.
Leslie, C. Vaughn	Knoxville, Tenn.	Lead Singer	1964-1969	His first name was dropped by the band and his initial C became part of his first name making it C Vaughn Leslie
Cruey, Douglas	Atlanta, Georgia	Organ	1964-1966	Helped C. Vaughn write "Ain't It Like I told You" . His last name Cruey became his nick mane. Cruey was responsible for putting must of the music together for "Ain't It Like I Told You". He also scored the horn parts.

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Brooks, T.C...	Edina, Minnesota	Bass Guitar	1964-1967	T C developed the bass lines for most of the Knight's Original songs. He loved to drink wine from and drove a MGB convertible. He is now a mortgage banker.
Alexander, James		Trumpet	1965-1969	Known to the band as "Pimp". He could play most any thing he wished to play. The band has a continued effort to locate this valuable player.
Franklin, Joe	Gray, Tenn.	Saxophone		Nicknamed "Bo Peep". He was quick to work out the horn parts and continues to be a strong horn man. Loves the girls and is now a property appraiser.
Corzine, Ronald	Kingsport, Tenn.	Saxophone and Flute		Always known by just 'Corzine', he was a strong force in the horn section. Loved cars and his bride to be Becky.
Bryant, Mike	Glasgow, Ky	Trombone		Started playing with the knights while still in high school. He later became a high school band director and did studio work. A strong horn player who is now a State Farm Insurance Agent.
Edwards, James	Deceased	Lead Guitar		Good guy. The band misses him.
Sawyer, Bill	Martinsville, VA	Trumpet		Strong horn man who generally did back up vocals and made the bands announcements at the performances.
Cowell, Pat	San Mateo, California	Lead Guitar		Very serious musician. Pat was always a team player and a true asset to the band. He is now president of a large corporation.
Williams, David	Knoxville, Tenn.	Electric Piano		Generally referred to as "Willie" , but sometimes called "Monk". Played in a group
Fleanor, Ron	Rogersville, Tenn.	Trumpet		Full range trumpet player. This guy could perform. Back up vocals or anything requested.
Leslie, James	Easley, SC	Road Manager		Known affectionately as "The Lard". This guy was the bouncer or body guard. Helped with the setting up and did most anything requested. He is a