

Rooks / Greenwood, South Carolina
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Brief Description	Like most bands within proximity of Greenwood, South Carolina in the 60's, they had strong ties with the band known throughout the South for screamin', yellin', and whoopin' it up. There must be something in the water in Greenwood County. In addition to having a record produced by original Swingin' Medallion drummer, Joe Morris, the Rooks traveled with and opened for the Swingin' Medallions on many shows in 1968-69. Five members of the Rooks became members of the Swingin' Medallions.			
Year Established	1963-1973			
Favorite Venues	The Medallion Club			
Music Genre/Recordings	R&B: singles: <i>Reputation/Tunesmith</i> (1968) recorded at Arthur Smith in Charlotte, produced by Medallion, Joe Morris			
Performer	Now Resides	Instrument	Years In The Band	Notes
Williams, Bill	Deceased	Manager	1963-1973	
Williams, Dale	Greenwood, South Carolina	Vocals, Keyboards		Dale could do great covers of Delbert McClinton; had gruff soulful vocals; joined Swingin' Medallions with band mate Eddie Bailey in 1979; Dale, Eddie Bailey, and other former Medallions form the Fabulous Expressions in 1984; still performs with current Medallions in a Christian Contemporary group; was on the Rook's only release.
Bailey, Eddie	Greenwood, South Carolina	Drums		Now heads the Fabulous Expressions after a 5-year tour of duty with Swingin' Medallions
Bowie, Ricky		Guitar		
Meadows, Dave		Bass		
Lockaby, Warren		Guitar		
Bowman, Ricky		Drums		
DeVore, Edward		Saxophone		
Bartley, Hack	Hodges, South Carolina	Saxophone	1963-1966	Hack moved from the Rooks to The Chessmen before Swingin' over to the Medallions in 1967; Hack still appears with the Medallions for special concerts as well as heading his own band, Shuffle, which includes his son.
Wood, Ken		Bass		Was on the Rook's only release
Eastler, David	Deceased	Guitar	1967-1969	Left the band in 1969 and went to Hawaii to replace Jim Doares in Swingin' Medallions; appeared in the Battle of Bands between Medallions and Pieces of Eight, September 1969 in Waycross, Georgia; was on the Rook's only release.

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Perkins, Paul			1967-1969	Brother of Original Swingin' Medallion, Jimmy Perkins, Paul joins brother Jimmy in Medallions when Jimmy rejoins band after Jimmy returns from service; was on the Rook's only release.