

## Lincoln Berry: Legendary jazz musician dies

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A memorial service for Minnesota's legendary Jazz organist, Lincoln Berry, was held on Jan. 25, in Saint Paul.

Berry passed on Jan. 20, at the University of Minnesota Hospital after a short fight with cancer. Berry was 74.



A prized musician, Berry was featured frequently at the Dakota Jazz Club and the Artist Quarters and performed with national and internationally acclaimed artists such as, Sam Cooke, Little Richard, B.B. King, the Ohio Players, Billy Preston, the Clark Sisters and others. Locally, Berry performed with, Billy Steele, Mike Ferguson, Debbie Duncan, Bobby Lyle, the late Captain Jack McDuff and others.



Berry was born in St. Paul on Jan. 13, 1940. In 1950 his family moved to what is now called Blaine, and he graduated from Anoka High School in 1959. Berry is survived by eight children, six siblings, and a host of other relatives and friends.

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Funeral services for Berry were held at the River of Life Christian Church, 739 Summit Avenue