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*Dedicated to the memory of my Dad, John Ross Middleton, Jr., who always was the biggest supporter of my music and my hero. I miss you every day and love you forever.*

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## LAST TIME

Music by Jay Middleton & Vernon Black

Lyrics by Jay Middleton

Jay Middleton: vocals

Carl Wheeler: organ, piano, synths & background vocals

Jude Gold: electric guitar, solos

Vernon Black: electric guitar

James Nash: acoustic guitar

Eric Smith: bass

Dante Roberson: drums

Misa Malone: background vocals

Norbert Stachel: alto, tenor & baritone saxophone

Louis Fasman: trumpet

Chris Butcher: trombone

James Henry: percussion

## I LIKE THE WAY

Music by Jay Middleton, Carl Wheeler & Sara Williams

Lyrics by Jay Middleton & Sara Williams

Jay Middleton: vocals

Carl Wheeler: piano, synths

Vernon Black: electric guitar

Jubu Smith: acoustic guitar

Eric Smith: bass

Dante Roberson: drums

Sara Williams: background vocals

Tre Edwards: background vocals

Pete Grant: pedal steel guitar

James Henry: percussion

## HARD 2 LUV U

Music by Jay Middleton, Vernon Black & Carl Wheeler

Lyrics by Jay Middleton

Jay Middleton: vocals

Carl Wheeler: organ, piano, synths

Vernon Black: electric guitar, solos

James Nash: electric guitar, mandolin

Eric Smith: bass

Dante Roberson: drums

Misa Malone: background vocals

Norbert Stachel: alto, tenor & baritone saxophone

Louis Fasman: trumpet

Chris Butcher: trombone

James Henry: percussion



## WHISPERS

Music by Jay Middleton & Vernon Black

Lyrics by Jay Middleton

Jay Middleton: vocals, whistle

Carl Wheeler: organ, piano

Jude Gold: electric guitar

Vernon Black: electric guitar

Jubu Smith: acoustic guitar

James Nash: mandolin

Eric Smith: bass

Dante Roberson: drums

James Henry: percussion

## FORWARD

Music & Lyrics by Jay Middleton

Jay Middleton: vocals

Carl Wheeler: piano, timpani

Jubu Smith: electric & acoustic guitar

Vernon Black: electric guitar

James Nash: acoustic guitar

Emery Barter: electric guitar

Eric Smith: bass

James Henry: percussion

## GET A LITTLE

Music by Jay Middleton, Carl Wheeler & Vernon Black

Lyrics by Jay Middleton, Rick Barnett & Elizabeth Edwards

Jay Middleton: vocals

Carl Wheeler: organ, piano & background vocals

Jubu Smith: acoustic guitar, solo

Vernon Black: electric guitar

James Nash: electric guitar

Eric Smith: bass

Dante Roberson: drums

Pete Grant: pedal steel guitar

James Henry: percussion

Love Church Gospel Choir: background vocals

Nona Brown, Kalila Rafe, Ashling Cole, Brenda Roy,

Jacoree Prothro, Cynthia Harvey Patton



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