

BEAR FAMILY RECORDS



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Artist **Geater Davis**
Title **Sweet Woman's Love**
Label Bear Family Productions
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INFO:

- 1971's 'Sweet Woman's Love' is considered a deep soul classic amongst fans and collectors.
- Often compared with Bobby 'Blue' Bland, Geater Davis was an underrated ambassador of the Southern soul/blues genre.
- His vocal style has often been described as a "combination of sweetness and sandpaper grit" (Allmusic.com), impassioned and tortured.
- Geater Davis never achieved the recognition and the commercial success that he had deserved.
- 1:1 re-issue of his finest album with the original artwork, originally released on the House of Orange record label.
- Carefully re-mastered for pristine sound quality.

Soul/blues singer/songwriter Vernon 'Geater' Davis (1946 – 1984) was born in Kountze, Texas. When record producer Allen Orange heard Geater and another singer, Reuben Bell, perform he decided to record both in Birmingham, Alabama. It was the start of his own record label in 1970, 'House of Orange'. One of the label's first releases was *Sweet Woman's Love* by Geater Davis which went up to #45 on the Billboard R&B charts. His follow-up releases did not follow-up on the initial success.

After House of Orange closed its doors in 1972, Geater went on to record for several smaller independent record labels like 77, Ace, and MT, and he continued to write or at least, co-write his own songs. With the exception of *Your Heart Is So Cold* in 1973 which reached #64 on the Billboard R&B charts, his records did not sell particularly well. But Geater toured extensively on the chitlin circuits for a soul and blues audience. He died of a heart attack in Dallas, Texas in 1984. He was barely 38 years old.

Geater Davis never achieved major success and stardom. This vinyl re-issue of the legendary House of Orange LPS-6000 should put the limelight on one of the most talented soul singers from the South.

TRACK LISTING:

LP:

My Love Is So Strong For You • For Your Precious Love • I Love You • I Can Hold My Own • Cry, Cry, Cry • Don't Marry A Fool • St. James Infirmary • Wrapped Up In You • Sweet Woman's Love