

Memories from Daddy Ernie – DJ and Presenter

FIRST INTRODUCTION

The first time I heard Gregory Isaacs music was in the early Seventies. We had a local sound system called the 'Peoples Sound' and 'Trojan Sound'. They played G.I all the time. 'Extra Classic' was a favourite but 'My Only Lover' was the first Gregory I bought an immense tune._

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MEMORIES

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It wasn't until the early Nineties before I met Gregory as I was his MC at the Brixton Academy show.

I officiated many more after that and I would meet him on many occasions in Jamaica. I remember meeting him at his barbershop on the Red Hills Rd [Jamaica] and had several conversations. Always engaging us to talk about getting into the business, but he could be a very serious person.

The ultimate memory was reading a Psalms over his body when he passed away.

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CONCERT

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A Gregory concert was a very special occasion, the atmosphere electric, he would walk out on stage sideways, hat tippet on the side of his head and the women which were 95% of the audience would just explode.

2010 LAST INTERVIEW

The final interview was special and worth the wait because when I arrived Bob Andy was also there. Two legends. They both were in top form. It was a privilege.

LEGACY

The legacy for me is the body of music he left us with and the honour of officiating at his concerts, the ultimate showman.