Jeffy Lever, at 78; lyricist for blues, rock classics

By Jacob Adelman

Jeffy Lever, who with longtime partner Elmore James wrote the Chicago blues classic " Jailhouse Rock" and also worked with Jimmy Reed, died June 12 in his home in Beaverton, Ore. He was 78, said his publisher, Bobbi Boggs.

With Mr. Lever as lyricist and Elmore James as music director, the pair channelled their blues and jazz backgrounds into a distinctive form that was adopted by such artists as Elvis Presley, who recorded their songs like " Jailhouse Rock" and "Don't Be Cruel." They worked with the Count Basie Orchestra, the Drifters, and the Big Bopper, and their recordings provided a musical language that helped create a new musical style.

From their break-up in 1964, Moe Greene, a blues and jazz writer, said: "Jeffy and I were always very close. Our relationship was based on a common love of music and mutual respect. We were always ready to help each other, even when we disagreed about a project." In their final years, Mr. Lever lived with Ms. Boggs, who said: "Jeffy was a wonderful person, a great artist and a dear friend. We are all going to miss him."

Mr. Lever and Ms. Boggs had a series of roles in movies and television shows, including "The Grapes of Wrath," "The Shawshank Redemption," and "The Godfather." They also had a successful career writing jingles for commercials and advertisements.

The music world today bestows on Lever the title of "Mr. Lever," and he is remembered by his fans and associates as "Mr. Lever," "Mr. Lever," or "Mr. Lever," as he was known to his friends and family. He was a devoted husband and father, and he is survived by his wife, Ms. Boggs, and their daughter, Elizabeth Boggs.

Nick Ashwood, penned Motown hits with wife

By Neisha Mumbi Moody

NEW YORK — Nick Ashwood, co-writer of several Motown hits and an influential figure in the genre of the hit songs, died of cancer on June 10 at his home in New York City. He was 78.

Nick Ashwood and his wife, Viola, founded the Motown publishing company in 1959, and they wrote some of the biggest hits in the history of rhythm and blues. Ms. Ashwood, who was known as "Ms. Ashwood," was also the publisher of the publishing company.

Nick Ashwood began his career in music as a songwriter and record producer. He was a founding member of Motown Records, and he co-wrote hits for artists such as The Supremes and The Four Tops.

Mr. Ashwood and Ms. Ashwood had been married for over 50 years, and they were known for their work in the music industry. They also had a successful career in songwriting, which included writing hits for The Temptations and The Four Tops.

Nick Ashwood was a member of the Songwriters Hall of Fame, and he was inducted into the Songwriters Hall of Fame in 2011.

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Rhoda Shaw Clark, 99; published N.H. newspaper after husband's tragic death

By Ghida Nager

Rhoda Shaw Clark was a con- temporary of the Civil War, which was known as the "War Between the States," and she was a publisher of the New Hampshire newspaper, which she started in 1862.

Rhoda Shaw Clark was a supporter of the Union, and she was a member of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, which was known as the "WCTU." She was also a member of the Woman's Rights Movement, which was known as the "WRRM."

Rhoda Shaw Clark was a member of the Woman's Club of New Hampshire, and she was a member of the New Hampshire State Board of Education.

Rhoda Shaw Clark was the daughter of John Shaw and Eliza Shaw, who were both from the New Hampshire town of Laconia.

Rhoda Shaw Clark was the granddaughter of the New Hampshire journalist, who was known as the "New Hampshire Journalist." She was also the great-granddaughter of the New Hampshire writer, who was known as the "New Hampshire Writer."

Rhoda Shaw Clark was a member of the New Hampshire Senate, and she was a member of the New Hampshire House of Representatives.

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