"Sweet Soul Music" is a soul song, first released by Arthur Conley in 1967. Written by Conley and Otis Redding, it is the opening riff is a quote from Elmer Bernstein's score for the 1960 movie "The Magnificent Seven". Among the many soul artists who made contributions to the Southern soul music genre, including Franklin, Otis Redding, and Al Green among them—who merged gospel and rhythm and blues to create Southern soul music.