

TOMMY BOLIN — The Lost Sessions

The American rock guitarist Tommy Bolin died December 4, 1976 aged just 25, neither the first nor the last time-serving musician to fall to heroin. In spite of his youth, he left an impressive body of work. Although he died long before the inception of the WorldWideWeb, a domain for an official website was registered on November 14, 1995; the domain is currently parked, but an archived version of the website can be found [here](#).



Bolin began his career as a teenager with Zephyr. In addition to session work he recorded with The James Gang and as a solo artist. In 1975, when Ritchie Blackmore decided to leave Deep Purple the first time for [even bigger and greater things](#), he was replaced by Bolin. Okay, nobody can replace The Black Knight, but the resulting *Come Taste The Band* album recorded over the summer and released October 10 wasn't a bad effort. Sadly, it was to be the only studio album he recorded with the band.

To celebrate the fifty-fifth anniversary of his death, Cleopatra Records is releasing *Shake The Devil - The Lost Sessions* on February 12.

The new album is licensed directly from Bolin's estate, and, to quote from a press release: has "informative liner notes from rock journalist Dave Thompson, these recordings offer both acoustic, instrumental and alternate versions of some of Bolin's best known tunes including his most popular song, *Bustin' Out For Rosey*".

That track can be previewed on Spotify. The collector's piece album will be available as a CD, and on vinyl with a gatefold sleeve in white, purple or red.

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