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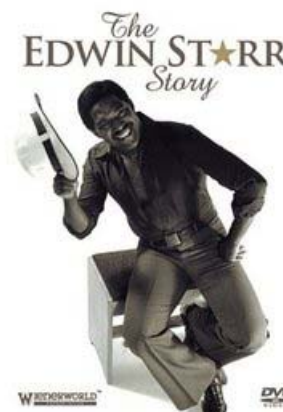
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## The Edwin Starr Story (Music Video)



Distributors/Wienerworld DVD)

Picture: C    Sound: C    Extras: D    Documentary: C+

Edwin Starr was one of the more soul-rich performers at Motown when he scored to key classic hits on its Gordy label: *Twenty-Five Miles* and *War*. Both hit a chord with The Civil Rights Movement and the Vietnam debacle, making him a Soul legend beyond his semi-novelty hit *Double-O-Soul* in 1965. **The Edwin Starr Story** is a recent look at the lost soul voice, still performing after all these years.

The look is a chronological one, covering all kinds of then-and-now details in its 110 minutes that become more engaging to see and hear about than some may have considered, but Starr is still touring, still had the voice and had not allowed himself to become just another legacy act. Instead, he was still pushing the envelope for himself and hoping possibly for one more big hit before his passing. He even scored some Disco-exclusive hits that did not cross over, but the big national hit never happened. Perhaps some in the Rollback corner started holding a grudge starting in the 1980s.

The letterboxed 1.78 X 1 has digititis throughout, lacks depth and was just not made under the best of technological circumstances, so expect a rough viewing. Tired Music Video clichés in editing and stylizing also distract from the presentation. The sound is also an issue, with slight distortion throughout and barely anything resembling stereo sound. There are no extras.

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