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June 16, 1971 Mama gave birth To a hell raisin' heavanly son. See the doctor tried to smack me But I smacked him back. My first words were "thug for life" And "Papa pass the Mac." I'm bustin' on these motha fuckas ballin' Listen you can hear my mini 14 callin'. From out the window of my drop top I got my glock cocked Bustin' at niggas When will it stop? Now tell me are you scared of the dark? Can't close my eyes I see visions And even with this thug livin' Will I escape in prison ? Penitentiary chances was an all day thang The only way to advance And if you slang Then you'd better have your nikes on Cause when we fight It's in the middle of the night with no lights on. Hey!! There must be a God cause I feel lucky, Paranoid out my mind This motha fucka's tryin' to rush me. Am I goin' to jail? Look at me bailin' Commin' out the court house All about mail and bank Never die Be a hustler mothafuckas And makin' thugs out you suckas.

From the cradle to the grave.

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From the cradle to the grave Since a little bitty child I've been known to get I'll and kinda buck wild. Pop pop! Just like the part that's in my walk with street talk I'm runnin' up the block in the dark with less spark. Survalience on a nigga every day, Waitin' on my daddy just to take his ass away. Now Mama always workin' tryin' to make ends meet. So now a young niggas bein' raised by the streets. And then the on other one that ever showed me love Was my dope fiend uncle strung out on drugs A striaght thug. Just me, my mama out here on our own So I got two gatts One black and one of chrome. Now I don't wanna hurt nobody but I must defend mine! It's all the fuck I got So stop and walk a thin line. Young niggas be brave And keep on thuggin' from the cradle to the grave, From the cradle to the grave.

[Chorus]

From the cradle to the grave, life ain't never been easy Living in the ghetto.

From the cradle to the grave, I'm glad to say I made it this far. Many G's died hard And all they got was their name here up on a wall. It's sad thinkin' about the times Life goes on, I'm steady lost in this land... As the warzone I got no home Don't have no friends neither. It's just me by my lonely so I married my nina. I keeps her wherever I go, I love my ho. Never leave home with out my sugar. I'm hafta plug a nigga. Mama told me not to trust no punks, And kick his ass if he lay a hand on me. Since then I been known. Sometimes I think my own self stupid Cause I stay shootin' at marks, Get twisted up in police reports. Since the cradle, I've been ungreatful. My first toy was a gun I got sprung and learn to love weapons. But now I'm through with money And through with street fame. Somebody peeled my cap and put me in my grave.

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March 18th A rainy day my mama gave birth To a baby boy trapped in hell on Earth. From day one it wasn't fun I never had a crumb. Daddy worked two jobs and Mama won't stop drinkin' rum. I tried to cope loc But my family's broke And my pocket's short So now I gotta sling dope. In a game filled with pain it's a fuckin' shame, The white man got a motha fucka slingin' cane. So now it's on from dusk to dawn I get my serve on. Always in the spot with my glock slingin' rocks at the rocks. Shit don't stop I'm steady dodgin' cops. I never flip flop Hear my glock cock Thug till I drop. And if I hit the pen I gotta do my time Sittin' on my bunk reminiscing about the good times. It's fucked up a nigga gotta grow up doing dirt, But from the cradle to the grave I'ma put in work.

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Time's movin' fast Will I last another day? So I pray and I lay with my A-K. Did I sell my soul as a young kid? All the things I did Wishin' someone held me But they never did. I can't take it Will I make it to my older age? Before I'm shot up or locked up in a fuckin' cage. Lord help me, guide me, save me! Cause that's the way that Daddy raised me Crazy. Do or die. Nigga pull the trigger don't give a fuck. You'd rather be in jail than get your ass bucked. Nobody cares, it's me against the world. Keepin' murder on my mind and my tech-9. I got nothin' to lose, payin' dues, nigga you wanna die? I get high Then my mission is a walk-by. You'd better jet when I hit your set cause I'm commin'. Start runnin' yellin' "evil mind" as I'm gunnin'. One in the chamber for the anger that I build inside, For the mothers that cried, for my homies that died. The begining is an ending, am I just a slave? So I got to be brave from the cradle to the grave.

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