

Big Mike "Everybody Wants A Name"

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[Verse 1]

My lil' partner be talkin about it's been approximately Five years and four months from the day That all these niggas done came up around his way,

what can he say

You can ask Shelley, and even she'll say (hey)

These niggas be callin themselves big shots ever since he been away

Even Dante got a little size upon his chest

Maybe it's from the reinforced teflon vest

But nevertheless, he takes it all in stride

Talkin about (these niggas got theirs, it's only right that I gets mine)

Nah, don't go near them niggas, son, you might get shot

Believe me when I tell you: things ain't the same on the block

They got glocks and shit done changed

For a buck and some change

They might blow out your muthafuckin brains

These niggas ain't thinkin when they're tryin to get a piece

The only peace you better get is of mind

And stay your ass inside

Wide eyes actin sheif and shitty

For attention hoe-ass niggas'll have a mortician ready to fit me

For a suit and casket, it's gettin drastic

My nigga got hit in his shit, some say he was askin

For trouble, true, and he found it with a .44 mag

They took him out in his jag (yo man went out bad)

Such a sad, sad song if you ask me

Blood on his t-shirt and khakis, brain in the back seats

(Goddamn) that's exactly what I said

But now my nigga's dead behind that fast life that he

Shedded some tears, but they all got wiped away I love my nigga, I put his name on my license plate I live my life this way cause that way'll get a nigga stank

No more smokin dank on suicide quests for bank I puts it down on tape and reap the benefits

Like the smart niggas who grew up and quit that shit Life is precious, cherish it while you have it It's enough loot to go around for everybody to live lavish

[Chorus]

Everybody wants a name Everybody wants the fame People playin suicide games

Tell me who's to blame For all the pain and things That we can't explain

[Verse 2]

Partner, it's cold outside, and the temperature's steady droppin

But these niggas ain't stoppin as long as drugs sales are poppin

They clockin a grand a day, muthafuck what the man will say

Villains kidnappin to kill a nigga, and they plans to stay So when I sleep, I sleep with one eye closed Cos the fellas ain't the only ones schemin, even fly hoes

I knows this, I seen it all in their fangs I stay alert cause muthafuckas do dirt with half a chance

And I plans to be around, not six feet in the ground
Kickin back with other blacks enjoyin the sound
Of our kids comin up in a similar fashion
Makin it happen, gettin theirs without askin
Until then I keep on rollin with the punches
Collectin dough in bunches, layin my head on plush shit
A hunch kid,'ll get your ass a long stay
But a little bit of faith'll carry a nigga a long way

[Chorus]

[Verse 3]

Now, show me a man who ain't afraid to die, and I show you five

Choose a rule, so partner, choose your side Recognize with your own eyes this ain't no false statement

I'm from New Orleans, where bullshit ain't shakin You gots to qualify, be down to die These punk-ass niggas around my way thinkin they hard made it hot outside You got your pride, I got my love I'm too swift with the gift, you find no blood on my black glove

Now I'm above all that chitter-chatter

But a year ago you was about to throw a blow, now tell

me what's the matter

Collect the data, I had a year to put this out

I got one more bomb in my palm, now bet I miss your

house

Now is you is or is you ain't?

Ready to put your goddamn life on the line for that

bank

You better think, but partner don't think too long

My people stay strong, we know where we belong

[Chorus]

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