Lil Flip "Make Mamma Proud"

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My life, my life, my life My life, my life, my life

In elementary I used crayons, even chalk
I learned to count money before I could read and talk
And my mama told me son, you need to shine
I couldn't stand at the back, I had to lead the line

I use to make good grades, but I talked in class In middle school I was late when I walked in class If the teacher ran a errand, I taught the class And what I didn't know, I was about to ask

And just because I played ball, I got easy grades And when I turned thirteen, I got even fades Everybody wearing Air Macs, Ree's and J's But all my parents cared about, was B's and A's

In high school, I picked up my pen and pad
I had dreams, of pulling up in a Benz or Jag
I had to get it on my own, I couldn't depend on dad
I had to grow up too fast, but then I'm glad

Because the stuff I know now, I wouldn't believe it The main goals that I set, I wouldn't achieve it I'd probably be locked up, or running the streets I'd probably wouldn't have platinum, in front of my teeth

I'd probably still be mocking, trying to earn a dollar I'd probably be in the hood selling sherm or powder But instead, I'm making bread, legal dough Going to church and staying away from these evil hoes

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There's a place called heaven and a place called hell There's a place called freedom and a place called jail And if you go to jail, they gonna treat you bad Take your commissary, and beat you bad

So I'm staying out of trouble, I'm chasing my dream I know you see your little boy on T.V. screens I'm blowing up, your little boy making it happen I'm ain't selling dope mama, I'm making it rappin'

So when you go to sleep at night, you know I'm safe 'Cause in Houston everyday somebody catching a case Like yesterday, my partner went to jail And he ain't coming home until he fifty seven

He nineteen, so you do the math I got smart, man, I choose to rap So when I grow up, my kids can have a good life That's all I wrote, y'all have good night

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