Busta Rhymes F/ Flipmode Squad ''Big Mama''

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Yeah, this one's dedicated, to my grandmother, and your grandmother It's all love, let's not forget who raised us, word up

Big Mama, my grandmother, my main girl

I love you much more than the scandalous world

[LL Cool J]

As a young boy you gave me whoopings to save my life Cursed me out, to keep me out the streets at night Cause my momma had me when she was young So you took on the responsibility to raise your grandson You taught me if a task is once begun, Todd Never leave it 'til it's done, Todd Be thy labor great or small Todd Do it well or not at all, God Big Mama, my blood is your blood When the whole world's against me, I know I got your love If I was in a cell for the rest of my life I know I'd hear your prayers in the middle of the night Used to sit me on your lap and teach me mother wit Early Sunday morning for them salmon and grits I love you baby, you the one and only, that's a fact 'Til death do us part, I'ma always have your back You beefed cause you heard that I was cursin in my raps Eighty-six, still you wanna run and get the straps I love you, I promise you I care for you deep Cause when I had bronchitis you would rock me to sleep Rub me down with green alcohol Little brown-skinned lady bout five feet tall, Big Mama [Chorus: Dru Hill] + (LL) Early one Sunday morning Breakfast was on the table (you gave me unconditional love) There was no time to eat, she said to me Boy hurry to Sunday school (you gave me unconditional love)

[LL Cool J]

I remember when you told me certain friends wasn't real

I didn't wanna listen, I swore I knew the deal Come to find out, everything you said was true Who I end up goin to for advice? You I love you, that's why you got nurses and maids Ever since I got paid, you ain't never been afraid That's granddaddy wife, she taught me how to think How to navigate through life, you made the sacrifice You kept on livin, cause when my granddaddy died It took all your might, but you ain't quit on life We took trips down South, biscuits and chicken Me you granddad and Alison, trippin Remember, you used to pick me up from junior high And classmates laughed when the Buick rolled by Remember, I pulled my privates out in class And from Farmers to Dunkirk you straight whooped my (woo!!)

The best cookin a man could ever taste It's written in my heart, it can never be erased Thank you so much, you taught me well How to not get souped up, because I'm LL How to walk the street, and hold my head real high How to live with Christ and not be afraid to die We sipped daquiris, but you never told moms We even shared beers, Big Mama my dear A toast to a woman that raised a man In popular demand all across the land You're my lawyer, my teacher, my doctor, my friend My mother, my father, you with me 'til the end I love you, I mean that from the bottom of my heart That's the reason why my record's #1 on the charts I'ma tell it like it is, I love you forever Dead or alive, we'll always be together Big Mama I love you

[Chorus]

[LL Cool J]

I dedicate this to the Big Mama's everywhere The ones who raised us - when nobody else was there The ones who held us and told us it'll be alright When gunshots was goin off every night Taught us how to lock the door and check the peephole And how to swallow Vicks when we had a chest cold How to stay proud, and represent hard Eat plenty baby, but first say grace for God Big Mama, I'ma miss you When one of us leave this earth But baby for what it's worth, I love you since the date of

my birth And if it wasn't for my children, I would wanna go first You're the reason I'm the man I am today The inspiration, for me to be LL Cool J When you told me "Knock 'Em Out," I brought you home a Grammy I learned to be tough from Big Mama and Aunt Cammy A black man that was raised by black women On tour, sippin your special honey and lemon You told me, gargle with vinegar water and salt The concert was hot, thanks to your support Girl - you're the one I love Whether right here with me or smilin from up above Trouble or no trouble, you always had my back So I had to let you know your son appreciates that, Big Mama

[Chorus] - repeat 2X

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