## Lifestylez Ov Da Poor & Dangerous

(Everybody everywhere is scratching for what they can get Did you think anybody in this town is any different? They don't give a damn who gets killed Just as long as "the dice keep rollin The hoes keep hoein And the money keeps flowin")

My name is L, and I'm from a part of town where clowns Get beat down and all you hear is gunshot sounds On 139 and Lennox Ave. there's a big park And if you're soft, don't go through it when it gets dark Cause at nighttime niggas try to tax They're sneakier than alley cats That's why I carry gats Yo, I'm a muthafuckin fugitive Buckwild and foul is the lifestyle that I choose to live Because to me it's all about a buck I used to have a partner in crime by the name of Chuck We stormed the city, shootin shit up like Frank Nitty We robbed kids and split the dough 50/50One day we stuck a dice game on the ave. and split the cash Then I murdered his ass and took his half Because I'm all about ends and skins When you got dough, you don't need no muthafuckin friends If I catch you on a late night, black, you're gettin stuck, jack My moms told me to get a job, fuck that Aiyo, picture me gettin a job Takin orders from Bob, sellin corn on the cob Yo, how the hell I'ma make ends meet Makin about 120 dollars a week? Man, I rather do another hit I want clean clothes, mean hoes, and all that other shit Yo, I admit, I'm a sucker A low down, dirty, sneaky, double-crossin canivin muthafucka Breakin in cribs with a chrome bar I wasn't 'poor', I was po', I couldn't afford the 'o-r' I used to wait until it gets dark And tell a nigga to strip, I wanna see some birthmarks Like a ninja, dressed in black with a ski mask I take all the funds, then I run down the street fast I vicked this nigga named Eugene Took his brand new ring Cause stickin up's a everyday routine Once I was crusin in a beat-up ride Saw this nigga named Clyde And snuck up on him from the blind side I told him, "Give up the dough, before you get smoked Oh you're broke? ( \*shots\* ) now you're dead broke" The Big L was cold crazy A top-notch crook snatchin pocket books from old ladies I don't care, I'll do anything to get a buck Even rob a Miller truck, cause I don't give a fuck Some say I'm ruthless, some say I'm grim Once a brother done broke into my house and I robbed him Plenty and many brains I bust Cause I was livin the lifestyle of the poor and dangerous

Word All of us from Harlem 139 That's livin the lifestyle of the poor & dangerous Uknowmsayin? This goes out To my brothers Big Lee and Don Ice Reggie Reg, T.C., Todd, Lou, Black Tone Whitey, Ty Speeder, Ru Dog, Herb McGruff E-Jet, G Love, Doc Ring, Slice and Rich Dice I can't forget the 1-4-0 Lennox Ave., troop And I gotta say rest in peace to Mate the Skate, Dog And my man Kerry Peace (Now what kinda life is that for a child? Now what kinda life is that for a child? Now what kinda life is that for a fuckin child? Word to mother

Fuck all that stupid shit

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