## Lineage

## **Jaguar Wright**

I was six years old when I fell down on Spencer Avenue It was my Aunt, Suzy's house, and I still can see the bruise I remember Grand Daddy and even though I never sat on his knee He taught me life is culture, baby

My Uncle David, they call him Jello, the only man that could say hello And it sound like angels singing in your ears And even though they all passed away, I still long for their company And I wonder God, why couldn't they stay

So I gotta remember, though I'm young That my time will surely come And now I gotta try to keep it together As I watch my family pass me by

So remember, so remember, so remember So remember, so remember So remember, remember, remember So remember, so remember, so remember your family

I was twelve years old when my Uncle Andrew had got sick And jaundice turn to HIV and then his body quit It was strange the numbness I felt, watching him all dressed in black Wasn't thinking about what he gave up but about all that I lacked

So I gotta believe, that if I give I can live through eternity And I gotta know, if I don't share myself Know one will ever

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I always, remember what my Mama told me I always, always take the bitter with the sweet I always, remember what Auntie taught me I always, even when it's hard be a lady, baby

I always, remember what Grand Daddy said I always, you got to lay in the bed you make I always, remember what my Uncle taught me I always, don't give up when it gets hard keep pushing, baby

And you got to, remember everything they taught you And you got to, hold on what is true And you got to, never forget where you coming from And you got to, and you got to, and remember

Remember, remember, I said one more time, remember

So remember, so remember, so remember So remember, so remember So remember, remember, remember So remember, so remember, so remember your family

You've got to remember your family Hold on to your dreams So remember, so remember, so remember So remember, so remember, so remember So remember, remember, so remember your family

Never let it go, yeah Oh no, oh no You've got to, you've got to, you've got to remember