## It's Been a Long Time

**Dead or Alive** 

Yeah you know, we always tryin to get this money, that's what we do It ain't easy but I'm tellin you, it ain't hard either All you gotta do is keep hustlin man, don't ever give up I don't care what it is, handle yo' biz Forget about the woulda, coulda, and if I did's Cause that's just the past, you know it never lasts And you know how time flies by so fast Look at rap music, they said it was a fad But now it's takin over, and I'm so glad Cause I never stopped rappin, but that's what I do If you quit yo' thang, you might never find the truth I had choices in life, I coulda did somethin else I did what I wanted to, I did it for myself Now whatcha gon' do with yo' life People try to tell you what to do, it's yo' life You better make the most of it, live to the fullest Think positive and don't dwell on the BULLSHIT I can't tell you no better If you thinkin 'bout quittin, don't ever Don't ever give up, I know it ain't workin It's been a long time, you never stop tryin But you can't quit, you gotta keep goin You already knowin, you can't give up Don't ever give up, give it all you got It only gets better, never say never You know you can't quit, you gotta keep goin You already knowin, you can't give up, you just cain't Comin up is hard, givin up is easy You always get the game from your homey Too Sheezy I keep it so real, never spit it false I hope you make it big and if you ever fall off Remember these words, it's only what you make it Anything is possible you want it better take it I ain't talkin 'bout stealin, felonies'll ruin it Stupid all I'm talkin 'bout is takin opportunities Doors open up and when you get another chance Either hold up the wall, or get out there and dance It's on you, do what you wanna do You know why everybody always punkin you Talkin shit they know you're bluffin, won't do nothin Sittin on the shelf like Stove Top Stuffin I know you had enough and want to call it quits Believe me, this ain't it Don't ever give up, I know it ain't workin It's been a long time, you never stop tryin But you can't quit, you gotta keep goin You already knowin, you can't give up Don't ever give up, give it all you got It only gets better, never say never You know you can't quit, you gotta keep goin You already knowin, you can't give up, you just cain't Isn't hard to see, use your eyes It's time to tell the truth, cause we through witcha lies Utilize all your steppin stones, gotta be prepared Sittin 'round dreamin how you bout to be a player The years and the time fly, you ain't even workin Went by overnight you went from 18 to 30

Nothin goin on, never set a goal Dreams can't come true, and now you gettin old You start to represent, everything you hate But don't give up, cause it's never too late All you need is a plan, a purpose and a motto And quit livin life like you 'bout to hit the lotto Get rich on your own, buy a new home Keep your real friends, leave them haters alone I see you when you get there, rollin to the bank I know you cain't let go, I know you cain't Don't ever give up, I know it ain't workin It's been a long time, you never stop tryin But you can't quit, you gotta keep goin You already knowin, you can't give up Don't ever give up, give it all you got It only gets better, never say never You know you can't quit, you gotta keep goin You already knowin, you can't give up, you just cain't Nah we can't give up, gotta keep hustlin for life baby It's hard on the black man, tryin to get my stack together y'know? Big thangs