Father

Ms. Dynamite

I spent 23 years trying to be what you wanted me to be

Though it seemed like you couldn't save me

'Til I picked up the mic and I was on the TV

Now you're ringing off my phone like every weekWhere were you at 6, 7, 11 and 13

When shit was impossible

Mama left nine months pregnant

But she came home alone from the hospitalHow could you call yourself a man

If you can't love your own unless you can control them

You'd rather destroy their souls and she was 13 years old

And you could've protected the innocence from being stolenAnd I don't give a damn what you was going through

When mama wasn't able to put food on the table

You left the family unstable

Now you come around acting like you want some kind of appraisalYou can't play like you daddy now And you can't claim shit 'cause you weren't around

And you can't get mad but what can you do?

You can't tell me shit, I'm grown without youI spent 23 years trying to be the fucking man you should be Taking care of your responsibility

Putting clothes on our back and shoes on our feet, no help

But you always had your bag of weedWhere were you at 12, 13, 14 and 15

When life was unliveable, momma was so damn angry

The way she treated me was unforgivable You call yourself a man, your oldest son

He had to learn from his sister how to put a nigger's fist up

How to fuck a nigger's shit up and knock out any motherfucker

That had come and tried to diss usAnd I don't give a damn what you was going through

And I needed saving, I spent my every second blazing

A little girl with a blade and trying to fuck up

And take my life just wanted to dig my grave and You can't play like you daddy now

And you can't claim shit 'cause you weren't around

And you can't get mad but what can you do?

(Now what you gonna do?)

You can't tell me shit, I'm grown without youYou can't play like you daddy now

And you can't claim shit 'cause you weren't around

And you can't get mad but what can you do?

(You can't do a damn thing)

You can't tell me shit, I'm grown without you

I'm grown without you, I've grown without you

Can't, can't come and come and tell me, do not

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