

Throwback: Eazy-E- We Want Eazy



[youtube id="Igxl7YtSlvQ"]Eazy-E's "We Want Eazy" is from his debut solo album *Eazy-Duz-It*. The D.O.C. wrote "We Want Eazy" and Dr. Dre and DJ Yella co-produced the song that has a sample of "Ah...The Name Is Bootsy, Baby!" by Bootsy's Rubber Band. The video's storyline follows Eazy-E getting arrested one hour before a concert and his eventual breakout from the jail to join his N.W.A. bandmates onstage. Michel'le and Ice Cube appear in the audience and Bootsy Collins makes a rare appearance at the end. Eazy-E's solo album was still an N.W.A. production because they all worked on it with The D.O.C. being the only member outside the group to make the personnel. *Eazy-Duz-It* was another definitive occasion in the growth of West Coast rap and it strengthened the legend of N.W.A. Dr. Dre and Yella's use of funk samples created a pathway for G-Funk and *The Chronic*. The album did not receive much support from radio or television but by February 1989, five months after its release, it achieved Gold status. Eazy-E's 1993 *It's On (Dr. Dre)* 187um Killa EP would be the last project he would release while alive. *Str8 off tha Streetz of Muthaphukkin Compton* came out in 1996, 10 months after he passed from A.I.D.S. Eazy-E's contributions to the West Coast scene made him the godfather of gangsta rap as an artist and a businessman who co-founded Ruthless Records with Jerry Heller.