

# R.I.P. Chucky Thompson

Esteemed R&B and hip-hop producer Chucky Thompson passed August 9th at age 53 from COVID-19 complications. Thompson was a member of the Bad Boy Records Hitmen production team and crafted some of the most essential songs from the '90s and early 2000s. The Washington D.C. native's production on The Notorious B.I.G.'s "Big Poppa," Faith Evans' "You Used To Love Me," and Nas's "One Mic" are a snapshot of his discography. He recently appeared in Mary J. Blige's *My Life* documentary where he discussed the work he did on Blige's famous sophomore album of the same name. Thompson started his career working as a musician in D.C. go-go legend Chuck Brown's band. The mentorship he received from Brown helped him navigate his professional life and they would later work on three albums together. Blige and Thompson had plans to work together again and Thompson had already put his touch on Diddy's forthcoming album coming out next month on his new Love label. Earlier this year Thompson gave an [interview](#) to the Recording Academy and revealed that a documentary about his life set to go-go music was in progress.

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