

# Throwback: Kriss Kross-I Missed The Bus



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Chris “Mac Daddy” Kelly and Chris “Daddy Mac” Smith were teenaged performers when So So Def founder Jermaine Dupri discovered them in 1990 performing at a shopping mall in Atlanta. They were soon signed to Ruffhouse Records and Dupri’s So So Def imprint and Kriss Kross’s *Totally Krossed Out* was released in 1992. “Jump” was a kiddie rap anthem with with cross-generational appeal and sales that put them in the center of mainstream pop culture. Their backwards clothing style was widely emulated and they were the rare example of young rap stars who made age-appropriage music and were able to attract adult fans. [“Warm It Up”](#) and “I Missed The Bus” were the second and third singles from *Totally Krossed Out* to help them garner platinum selling status. The success of their first album gave them opportunitites to appear on Michael Jackson’s *Dangerous Tour*, and music videos for Jackson (“Jam”), Run DMC and TLC. *Da Bomb* was their second release and [“Alright”](#) was the only song to commercially achieve but the album still sold one million copies. *Young, Rich & Dangerous* was their third and last album and it gave them two more chart singles with [“Live And Die For Hip-Hop”](#) and [“Tonite’s Tha Night.”](#) Smith and Kelly left the music industry and did not perform as Kriss Kross again until the So So Def 20th Anniversary concert in January of 2013. Chris Kelly passed on May 1st 2013 of a drug overdose.

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# R.I.P. Chris “Mac Daddy” Kelly

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Chris “Mac Daddy” Kelly passed today at his Atlanta home of a drug overdose. Kelly was one-half of the early '90's hip-hop duo Kriss Kross that was known for their song “Jump” and wearing their clothes backwards. Jermaine Dupri discovered them at a shopping mall and signed them to his So So Def record label. The success of their debut album *Totally Krossed Out* earned them a spot on Michael Jackson's *Dangerous World Tour*, television appearances and their own video game. They created two more albums that had the singles, “Alright,” “Tonight's tha Night” and “Live and Die For Hip-Hop.” The duo split apart only finally reuniting onstage at the 2013 So So Def 20th Anniversary Celebration.