## Rap Artist Royce Da 5'9 Makes Statement on Proof

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The death of hip-hop group D-12 member and friend to Eminem, rap artist Proof - whose real name was Deshaun Holton; has touched many in the hip-hop and rap music genre.

Many in the hip-hop culture have spoke on their friend and work mate. Even some who may not have not always got along with Proof have spoke out.

Another friend of Eminem's, Royce Da 5"9" has issued a statement about his friend rap artist Proof.

Following is a statement from rap artist Royce Da 5"9" on the passing of hip-hop artist Proof:

"I am deeply saddened by the murder of someone I called a good friend. I"ve known Proof for over nine years and will always remember him for the joy and life that he brought into every room he entered. We first met at Detroit's Hip-Hop Shop where Proof was hosting open mics and was considered by most to be Detroit's freestyle king. Even then you could tell there was something special about him. Some people might be familiar with a well-publicized beef that Proof and I had a couple of years ago. Thankfully though, we had not only resolved our conflict, but we also restored our friendship. Back in December, we went overseas together for a few spot dates in Europe where we had a chance to catch up on "the good ole days". We both laughed at how we sometimes forget how far we"ve come, until you look out of your hotel window and see London's Big Ben or Paris's Eiffel Tower. On that tour we had a chance to visit cities we never even knew existed. Not bad for two kids from Detroit Huh. His death is such a loss for the hip hop community, and especially for the city of Detroit. I hope that he will be remembered for the talented artist and great person that he was, and not the tragedy that he fell victim to. My thoughts and prayers go out to his entire family, friends, and anyone that was ever touched by him."

You will forever be loved and remembered.....

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