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Young and influenced by a lot of my father's actions
But then when he went to jail I wondered what had happened
I looked up to him isn't that funny
Then later finding out he did illegal things for money
Looking at my mother wondering what I should do
I'm just a kid I can't help with the bills and the food
Looking at the sky asking myself
Should I do what my dad was doing?
A piece of me was gone
When I saw my dad with an orange jumpsuit on
I lost my role model
But thank God I still have my mother
But I also thank my older brother for being my father figure
If it wasn't for him, I wouldn't have my life figured
This is for the kids that grew up without a father
Don't worry homie there is people that can be your role model
But I understand the pain of not having someone
to guide you along the way
But please don't lose yourself homie
Because sometimes our emotions can get to the best of us homie
Sitting in the living room with my own thoughts
Wondering how I would've turned out If I did have my pops
Looking in the mirror seeing a spitting image of my dad
Reminiscing about the past
And if my brother wasn't there for me
I would've taken the wrong path
But no matter the indescribable pain
You can still make a change
Set yourself a goal so you can accomplish anything.