T-Bone, Friend

[Hook]

Friends, all my homeboys, how many of us have them

Friends, all my rouges, comrades, and patnas, ones we can depend on

Friends, all my homeboys, how many of us have them

Friends, all my rouges, comrades, and patnas, before we go any

[Verse 1]

Who can express what a playa feel

So much gratitude inside of me for my patnas that done kept it real

Loyal through tha hard times, when nobody didn't care

Everyone puttin' me down, but you was still there

So many come and go, turn from friend to foe

But trues is witcha when ya seasoned or broke wit no doe

Rolling a bucket, or dippin' in dropped double R's

Poor wit no record deal or signed and a superstar

Who can I call on when my backs up against that wall

That won't judge me, but love me and hug me when I trip and fall

Accept my flaws and mistakes, love me for who I am

Stand wit me waving at fans and when I ain't tha man

Picture me crying at the age of 9, so many homeys dying

Locked up in pens, living a life of crime, slugs flying

And been a witness to homicide

This life taught me love all you homeys while they still alive

[Hook]

[Verse 2]

Keep ya homeys close, cuz in this business friends turn against you

Especially when you need'em tha most, that's when they'll plot against you

Then commence to rubbing your name in tha dirt

Leaving you torn apart wit all tha pain and tha hurt

Jealousy and greed twisted wit bitterness and envy

Make ya friend be ya most hated enemy

Seen it happen so many times before

Make ya wanna leave tha game and not wanna rhyme no more

Brotha against brotha and a father hating son

Somebody tell me what have we done

My back got blood stains and scabs from backstabs

Lived life looking for trues that I can call my comrades

Or soldiers, sick of them lying, backstabbing

Vultures in a world that's getting colder

Need a shoulder that I can cry on, rely on

Till tha day I'm gone, we share that homey love thug bond

It's a friend

[Hook]

[Verse 3]

Some call'em dogs, others call'em rogues and comrades and patnas

Hogs and aces, whatever tha case is

Ain't no replacing a true 2 life friend

Soldier who been down through tha thick and tha thin

From the womb to tha tomb, come floods and typhoons

We stuck together, endured tha cuts and tha wounds

Scabbed and bruised survived tha fights and tha feuds

Separated we nuttin', but together we can't lose

Homeboys to tha end, from tha hood to tha pen

My life in exchange for yours and your children

Nuttin' I wouldn't do for a friend like you

When I needed you that most ya came through (that's true)

When you hurt I feel pain, when you sad I cry

Allies and down homeys to tha day we die

I got ya back like a chiropractor

From day one, throughout your life with tha final chapter

We best friends playa!