

## John P.

My name is John P. I was born and raised in Austin, Texas 78704.

I'm the type of person who gives respect to get respect.

I am a loyal person and value my family. I also am addicted to money.

I don't like fake people—I like people who keep it 1,000% real—just like me.

I am not a greedy person. I show care and concern for the people who struggle in my 'hood. I was raised around a lot of drugs, sex, and violence and that's why I'ma raise my children the right way.

Hard times are rough, hard times are sad,  
But I realized you are something I've never had.  
So if hard times are what I got to go through to be with you  
Then so be it. That is something I have to do.

I never knew what love was until I saw your eyes  
And the last thing I would want is to say our goodbyes.  
That would be the day that I cry

And feel so much pain as if I were going to die,  
But hopefully that day won't ever come.  
Just thinking about it makes my body numb.

Hard times are rough, hard times are sad,  
You are something I am glad to have.  
You have changed me in ways I can't explain.  
You have done something to my brain.  
The way I think, the way I feel,  
For you and only you. Blood I will shed, Blood I will  
spill...