

# Jay Rush Jennings

Born Jonathon Jay Rush Jennings · R&B singer, songwriter, pioneer of Street Soul · Active 2000s-present

## ORIGINS

Raised in the inner city, Jay Rush's life was shaped by early adversity and a deep connection to music. Following the tragic murder of his father, he was raised by a single mother alongside four siblings. His musical foundation was built in the church, singing with his family's gospel group, The Dotson's.

His journey took a difficult turn at fifteen when he was incarcerated in the Ohio penal system — where he sharpened his pen, developing a crafty lyrical style that blended harsh reality with soulful sensibility. That blueprint became the foundation of his Street Soul movement.

## THE SOUND

Street Soul strips away the polished veneer of contemporary R&B to reveal something more authentic and socially conscious. Jay Rush draws from the vocal depth of Marvin Gaye and the urgency and poetic realism of 2Pac — fusing them into a sound rooted in lived experience.

*"People say R&B is dead because it lost its message. I wanted to bring back the social consciousness — the 'What's Going On' vibe — and mix it with the life I've actually lived. That is Street Soul."*

— Jay Rush Jennings

## RECENT RELEASES

YEAR	TITLE	ROLE
2026	"On Me" ft. Keyiara & Baby Blue (Pretty Ricky)	Primary
2023	"U Stayed" Solo return; loyalty & resilience	Primary
2021	"Win Win" Street Soul Entertainment imprint	Primary

## COLLABORATORS

Lyfe Jennings — brother & collaborator

Bone Thugs-n-Harmony

Styles P

Krayzie Bone

2 Chainz

AZ

Foxy Brown

John Legend

Musiq Soulchild

## INFLUENCES

- Marvin Gaye
- 2Pac Shakur
- Gospel / church tradition