

# A Mini-IZ Songbook

A few songs by  
Israel Ka'ano'i Kamakawiwo'ole (1959 - 1997)

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## Israel Ka'ano'i Kamakawiwo'ole (1959 - 1997)

**Israel Ka'ano'i Kamakawiwo'ole**, last name lit. 'the fearless eye, the bold face', also called "Bruddah Iz" or "Iz," was a Hawaiian singer-songwriter, musician, and Hawaiian sovereignty activist. He achieved commercial success outside Hawaii when his album "Facing Future" was released in 1993; it would become the best-selling album of all time by a Hawaiian artist, achieving platinum status in 2005. In 2021, IZ would have celebrated his 62nd birthday.

- Born: May 20, 1959, Honolulu, HI
- Died: June 26, 1997, The Queen's Medical Center, Honolulu, HI

### A few resources

- [Israel Kamakawiwo'ole](#), Wikipedia
- [Israel IZ Kamakawiwo'ole, The Official Site](#)
- [Biography](#) at Israel IZ Kamakawiwo'ole, The Official Site
- [Gods of Uke: The Wizardry of Israel 'Iz' Kamakawiwo'ole](#) by Dan Kois (May 20, 2015), Ukulele Magazine
- Debut solo LP: [Ka 'Ano'i](#), Wikipedia
- Third solo LP: [Facing Future](#), Wikipedia