



"Return of the Living Dead Boys: Halloween Night 1986" Dead Boys

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One of the most mercurial bands in American punk rock history reformed their original lineup on Halloween night 1986 at The Ritz, introduced by friend and supporter Joey Ramone. This 3/18 DVD documents that historic performance. The mix is rough, but the roar produced by drummer Johnny Blitz, guitarists Cheetah Chrome and Jimmy Zero, bassist Jeff Magnum and the man with "the hardest-working liver in show business," vocalist Stiv Bators, is still quite formidable.

Highlights include the opening anthem, "Sonic Reducer," "Detention Home," "3rd Generation Nation," "I Need Lunch" and two pulverizing covers: the Rolling Stones' "Tell Me" and the Stooges' "Search and Destroy."

Fans of classic punk, grab this one locally or at www.mvdvisual.com.

- Ricky Flake