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The Static-X Facebook page confirmed that Static had died on Saturday November 1, but gave no further information as to his cause of death. He had been due to tour alongside Powerman 5000 and Drowning Pool in the coming months.

"Platinum selling musician Wayne Richard Wells, better known as Wayne Static, passed away at the age of 48," read the message posted on the Facebook page. "Wayne Static was the enigmatic former frontman and namesake of Static-X, who later forged a successful solo career."

Static-X were a well-known nu-metal band in the late Nineties and early 2000s, with their debut album Wisconsin Death Trip, featuring single Push It, going platinum in 1999.

After releasing five studio albums, Static-X went on indefinite hiatus in 2010, with Wayne Static beginning a solo career, also under the name Static-X. He was known for his long, spiky black hair and beard.

Fellow musicians paid tribute to the star on social media, and although the cause of death has not yet been confirmed, his peers seemed to suggest that a drug overdose could be to blame.

The founding member of Papa Roach, Jacoby Shaddix, said on Instagram: "This is so sad. Too many musicians are dying from overdoses... The number of friends that I have lost to addiction is crazy."

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