

## Poetry

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The Obituary:  
a stark biographical account, distilled  
like bright light blaring, but scarcely tracing  
the masterpiece that once was you.

*“A loving wife”*  
will never quite capture the glint in your eyes  
which betrays poised composure. A warmth for him,  
spilling through cracks in the stony façade.

*“A zest for travel”*  
will never truly replicate, your breath always stolen  
as the plane’s wheels escape, the Earth.  
Only now, the twilight of your travels leads you here, where  
I hold your brain in my hands  
with my heart in my throat.

The Obituary  
fails to factor forgotten treasures:  
*Butterfly kisses, on your cheek matching those in your chest*  
*The train station woman, wearing your mother’s perfume*  
*Songs sung with strangers, after a meteor shower*

Elements elusive to everyone else.  
Enigmas which evaporate like smoke in the night.

So, sing to me your poetry, that I may paint the sky  
shades of surprise, sorrow, sanguinity  
forever detailing the intricacies of  
the masterpiece that once was you.

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