# She Silently Weeps

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She sobs
and she weeps
for the secrets she keeps
lie deep
within her
heart
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Buried far below even she doesn't know if she'll ever go there again

So she cries alone
while her heart turns to stone
and a single tear
trickles past her ear
as she covers her head
with a pillow in bed

For he belongs to another his wife his children's mother and she was but the other woman

in his life

Now he wants to pretend that this isn't the end that life will go on and they can be friends

And so while he sleeps she silently weeps as the love she keeps oh so gradually seeps

away....

#### A Bullet Just Flies

A bullet just flies it has no eyes it doesn't care

where

it's going....

When he pulled the trigger

with such vigor

did he know

how lives would be bent by the shell that he spent

When he took aim
did he know you had a name
Did it matter
you were far too young to die
staring up into the sky

Now you'll never grow old as you lay there so cold and your blood all around soaks the ground

Oh what sorrow

for there is no tomorrow

for you

my dear child

I feel my grief turn to anger my anger into hate

and even though

I know

it's wrong

I can't wait

Till the day comes
when he too feels this pain
when someone he loves
life ends in vain

A bullet just flies it has no eyes it doesn't care where

it's going....

# Bang Bang

"Bang, bang!" "Your dead!"
Isn't that what we said
as children
long ago

When we were young
it was all in fun
we would play and run
and then be done
Now it's not the same
it's no longer a game

And yet it doesn't feel
like it's for real
are we still pretending
cause it's never ending
as we pray for peace
it just doesn't cease

So now we all know
that terrible sound
as we drop to the ground
and bullets fly
while people die
and we wonder why

Because all they say
is it's black or white
either look to the left
or look to the right
make every gun
disappear from sight
Or if there's an attack
just simply shoot back

Though I can't pretend
to know how it will end
I'm not misled
Because I know why
it's so widespread
I know who gave it
the go-ahead

"Bang, bang!" "Your dead!"

Isn't that what we said!

# Play, Way Back When!

Now listen grandson! Way back when, long before electronic toys were in, we used to have fun in a different way. We'd actually go outside to play!

Yes, yes it's absolutely true! No, really I'm not joshing you! We'd play marbles, Yo-yo's, and tag. "Simon says", and capture the flag.

"Green light, Red light," sack races, play catch, and even an occasional wrestling match.

Maybe a quick game of "Steal the Bacon."

We sure had fun, if I'm not mistaken.

Jacks, hopscotch, and hula hoop.
Rode down the slide in a loopty-loop.
Monkey bars, merry-go-rounds, and swings.
Spun tops, and lots of other things.

"Hide-and-Seek," "Red Rover," and jump rope. Now without electricity how would you cope? Those were the days we really had fun, and we did it all outside, under the sun!

"Gramps, why did you steal the bacon?"

#### **Together**

I stand staring

at your favorite chair

Thinking

we were such

the perfect pair

I can't believe

you're no longer there

I miss you so much

I yearn for your touch

This is such

a burden to bear

This can't be real

it can't be true

How can my life

go on without you

Yes

I heard

the words they said

In time

in time

you'll accept he's dead

Just try to hang on

it gets better ahead

Then once again

I remembered when

you were my lover

and best friend

How I decided not to let it end

to live my life and just pretend

That you weren't really

truly gone

That somehow through love

we could carry on

But it didn't work

no not at all

So I stand here

back to the wall

feeling dizzy I begin to fall

Now I'm lying here

face down in the hall

I couldn't deal with the empty space

and this reality

I don't want to face So the coward's way

out I embrace

but I did leave a note

just in case....

They want to know that I've gone—
to a better place