Black.

## Black

I don't know how to start this

But because I'm black

I am looked at as a problem

Long before

I'm looked at as a person

And because I'm black

I am obligated

to call myself an

African

American

even though I was born here

While white people

Have the freedom to call

Themselves American

and can forget

The euro

Why CANT I be AMERICAN

Yet I'm told to take pride in my culture

That I'm

African

American

But how can I?

I was deprived of a culture

The moment the first slave ship

Set sail

How can I take pride

when the rest of my race

Is systematically controlled

And given their values that black men can be only men when

they are searching

For themselves between

The legs of a woman

Values are given to them used to oppress them!

Oppressing them, my race, me

I am oppressed

born to still fight

the same

Battle as my ancestors

because

Whites refuse

to coexist with blacks

I am told ...

That there can be

no light

Without dark that

there's no white

without black

But the way America is

Light shines much brighter than

Darkness

The way America is

White power seems powerful

And black power seems powerless

The way America is

I don't think I want to be

American

But thanks white people for taking

Me from my country so I am

Forced

To identify myself with my

Continent.

Because my skin is too nightly

To be called American leaving me

Feeling like a motherless child

Am I African American, Mommy?

Because saying so is like looking

At pictures of dead relatives or should I say history books?

I walk with

The weight of shackles that once encumbered my ancestors

And I cry for the same reason

My ancestors once did

Is this my culture?

because I'm black any type of thought

I have is considered activism

And activism is worthy to be shot

So shoot me dead white people.

I am not American and unsure if I'm African So tell race to tell goodbye I said hello

I wish I could be transparent.

But I'm not to whites I am still a nigger. Synonymous to ignorant but how many thoughts does it take to not be called Ignorant?

Until one of those thoughts are smart.

I am oppressed

born to still fight

the same

Battle as my ancestors

Whites refuse to think of blacks

As anything more than niggers.

From TV to newspapers

I am called a nigger.

Giving the system a new thing

"Stand Your ground"

For the whites

and for the blacks we are grounded under the boot of a cop pressing down on our heads

Yet I would be arrested if I stood my

Ground. Because I am grounded

I am oppressed.

born to still fight

the same

Battle as my ancestors.

I'm a long way from freedom

But I'm damn sure not where I started

I am African American.

## A life just stopped!

A heart stopped loving

A brain stopped thinking

A voice stopped speaking

No silver lining just death

And though you may rest in peace in me there is no peace to rest

A heart stopped loving

A brain stopped thinking

A voice stopped speaking

No silver lining just death

And the only thing to separate the two was your Inhale exhale your ba-boom your breath Because a life just stopped.

## With every passing day

I think I miss you less because forever skips the moments that I'm with you. And I think that it goes to say with every passing day you become a memory, you become distant you become minuscule you become Pluto to the sun that is moving on and stretching out.

## Narcissistic

And so I begin.
What is poetry?
Poetry my comforter
Lydia and rain.
Poetry pleases my ears
that words sound in harmony,
but not to a single heart is it a
stranger.

Poetry blows in wind, Poetry preserves THE truth, its own language of simple words and silence.

only revealed to the worthy. It is the language I

speak.

Poetry is the poet. I AM poetry

Poetry brings life, tells the truth,

and shows the way.

Poetry is a

Promise of hope,

Conqueror of love,

The Poetry is the Poet

I Am truth a promise of hope

conqueror of love and the bringer of

Life.

I AM POETRY.

From the Greek poieo meaning create And so this... is my creation of myself.

I am poetry and

I.AM.OVER.MYSELF.

Because I've done it all. I've I've figured it out

I'm over creation because I AM creation and I've created it.

I AM POETRY FUCK ME.

Let's let's ask again.

What is poetry? Poetry is merely a piece of writing.

Poetry isn't hopes of love. It's just how you write some words

Love is just an emotion not poetry

Promises of hope is lying to yourself not poetry

If you want a poem write words and skip

some lines

And if I AM POETRY. Then I'm coming to an end.