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Night Flyer(11/4/1955)

Have been writing poems for a while. Started posting a lot in 2007 to various websites. A lot of my poems touch upon nature, aesthetics, visions and mystic states of consciousness. Like to take walks under the moon and stars or through the forest and these will usually inspire in me some poetry. Also waking up in the middle of the night is sometimes gives me inspiration to write. Am living in Framingham, Massachusetts, USA. Besides poetry, I was also the guitarist for a band in Florida called Nostradamus. Our band put out a CD of original music in 1997 and for a while did local gigs at mainly coffeehouse. A section of one of my poems 'My River Lethe' appeared in the independent UK film 'Beyond The Lake' in 2022. I also have two poetry books entitled 'Garden Of The Mind' and 'An Alchemical Journey On The Road To Love' available on Lulu.com. They are published by Wilderness House Press'.



Midnight Wind

Midnight wind outside my window Blowing through the trees with its mournful sound Carrying with it memories of the people I've known And the past Such a lonely sound and beautiful at the same time Marking the time that has past and the seasons In the depths of my mind The eternal sound of Cosmos Of ages that sweep forever from my dreams To the far future beyond my death into eternity The rustle of leaves outside Like the moments slipping by in my life Leaving me a future vision of my weathered gravestone Beneath an oak tree in the moonlight of Winter Haunting wind passing A song that sweeps by in sadness and mystery Outside this bedroom where I lay Like a visiting old friend Keeping me company, and then slipping away back through the trees to far distances as I drift back to sleep.

From The Plains Of Midnight

Forever lie the plains of midnight Silence marks the path before me In the dimness of early morn The misty air in calm purity floats This is the essence that is the night And calmness the door to soaring dreams A portal to the recesses within That reverberate a million miles below Like currents alive in oceans deep Rising up to move my pen These swirling words from dreams sublime And far plains, illuminated Beyond the twisted paths of desolate night They call me from this sleepy season And flowing rivers of the mind Let them flow from these depths below And let these words rise to my room Like vapors from mountains high.

This Wayward Journey

Forest roads, winding through the blackness of forever Beneath the watchful eyes of Heaven And the eternal presence of all who have died Their moment of unity, here in this windy abyss.

Mesmerized with memories
Driving toward the distant lights of my town
I, a rider of eternity
In the realm of desolate night roads
Past the frozen chill of forests and graveyards.

The purple black reaches of sky and horizon
Pulling me rapidly forward
But realizing I have no home but this windy road and a lifetime of memories
Saved in bittersweet images.

Lonely but drawn to the beauty of this cold velvet evening
In an ocean of feeling
My birth and death, dim points of light in this wayward journey
United with the heavens and ages
Guiding me in my long ride home.

Strolling Through A Hillside Park

A quaint hillside park, repository of memories in this winter's season The mysteries of old Ireland rising like mist from the cold, damp ground This sea of lichen covered stones

Carved with the names of local ancestors

Their muted voices lost in January's breeze

As I slowly stroll through this hidden island of silence

Under a dreamy panorama of stark, leafless trees and painted ivory clouds

And the spire of an old stone chapel rising in the distance.

The amber rays of setting sun play across the frozen field in a windy kaleidoscope

As late afternoon shadows dance,

'cross uneven ground and rusting iron gates

Drawing me onward in enchantment and fascination, through the haunted park, on timeless paths.



Across The Moonlit Lake

For my love that ever reaches thee in the dead of night Across forested hills, its voice in ghostly echoes Your kiss, the seal of quiet victory
Across the moonlit lake and sound of crickets,
I smile in sapphire depths of knowing,
That the night kept the secrets of your passionate kisses locked in its somber embrace,
As I drift across the astral miles
the music of your smile became one with the moon
In hypnotic pulses of pleasure,
And the blissful song of I and thee by that silver lake still rings out in the wild night as I drift to sleep.



Dreams Of Misty Babylon

Dreams of misty Babylon, of moonlit deserts Of tales of knights of the infinite sands Riding neath the crescent moon, I ride the night's pathways, across this desert vast Bright Ishtar shining Sweet Lady of the skies Guide me to your city gates, Through wind-blown sand, guide my flying steed Past crumbling castles of time, Desire, the torch that speeds my journey To my maiden of the desert sands, Sweet Babylon Her dark eyes, reflecting the crescent moon Her red lips, like garnet, inviting Her gown of lapis lazuli, radiant Smiling, behind her silver curtains Nubile, neath gossamer sheets She waits for me, in the frankincense of night.

Don Juan Night

Silence like amber glass, flowing down to endless reaches of darkness
Silent mists float in cumulus waves 'neath the diamond Moon's sad smile,
In wintry wisps, over a serpentine wilderness
Its melting light sings out to the roses of midnight
The silver wind rising to an ancient panorama of liquid opal and ruby smoothness

In roaring effulgence
To foggy rooms of sky I reach out
Here in a Don Juan night
Trapped in the hourglass of time.



Miami Night

Pastel, mescaline skyscrapers growing like crystals on the edge of Miami night Flowing shattering, splintering colored lights onto a black ocean canvas A million dreams dissolve into the steamy torridness of this tropical mystery Melting city of the coral reef

Calls me to share its secrets, its schemes

Emerging from the whirlpool of neon confusion lights

The boulevards are breathing mad revolution,

Capillary cells flowing, the crowds of dank midnight

My eyes assaulted in a red sensory overload of luscious Latin coquettes

Waist deep in a movie that's never been created

Crucified and laughing by the late night Cameo Theater beer orgy

Besieged on all corners

The hobo hoards have conquered sanity's last bastion

Miami night brain cell genocide oozes into the last red eye of the street crowd Burning yearning, young lust flowing like sweat into the last inch of the hopeless streets

Wild-eyed, the crazy jesters converge into a melting moonlight street symphony, My blood flowing in palm tree rhythms into rapid delirium tremens of another night on the town

The fractured ocean crowd is breathing in mad procession

Down past the orgasmic paints of dawn

Rainbow paint flowing like a nightmare into the wild-eyed, lusty streets

Art riot shaking the mind of the universal whatever it is

I leave half awake,

Drowning forever in this acrylic bohemian ocean.

I come back to Earth,

Leaving behind the bare bones of last night's street frenzy.

Realm Of The Night

Realm of the night
Sanctum of all mysteries
Welcoming me back into its arms
High over swaying pines
In the cool winds of November
Calling me from mystical dreams
With its song of echoing crickets
An icy sapphire window of sky
Framed by a ring of tree tops
Like a shimmering golden crown
A portrait of infinity with its patterns of stars
Arranged like a latticework of crystals in
a purple tapestry
Blazing down their platinum upon this cosmic
Autumn scene.



Over by the wall, Her photograph stares sadly at me In the late night shadows of my lonely suburban dream She lies forever silent now, beneath the leaves of a cold meadow, filled with ageless stones

And I, aging slowly in this wooden mausoleum of retirement
Others listen to the cicadas of passing evenings
Joyfully entwined in sexual bliss
While I lay untouched in the darkness of this blue solitude
My love gathering dust like wilted roses
In this three am world of memories
I call out in vain to the one who will never return
And to past lovers like mirages on the fading cliffs of my dream world
Descending to the unforgiving reality of isolation
My lonely destiny.



An Alchemical Journey To The Heart Of Love

Through a misty forest in the night
Drawn through passageways of darkness
Over cold rivers
Drawn to that crimson light that beckons from the distance
Through this shiny trail of alchemy
Through the tangle of ghostly branches
Swaying in the cold breeze
Neath piercing stars of the mystical heavens
Warm faint rays illuminating through the crags and cliffs of midnight mountains
Heart of Love calling me in amber rays as I rise
Drawing me closer to the burning crucible that lights up this eternal night
An alchemical union of gold and silver revealed
As I merge in shimmering waves of purple and red
Feeling the loving heart of my beloved
Alive in this burning flame.



Doorway To Eternity

Slowly rising half Moon in the silence of the early morn over the trees and rooftops of this sleeping neighborhood Becoming the smiling face of a long lost friend Of all my Floridian summers
Looking back at me
Calling on me to join her in the heavens
When I'm free from the bonds of this corporeal life
To join her, once more, in the quiet midnight of the ages Far beyond this daylight daydream
This pearly Moon in shining mists, rising in the cool air A beckoning doorway to eternity.



This Road Of Memories

Through country roads in the darkness of my memories

To Carlisle and Concord

In pathways of ancient silence

And the ghostly breezes that drift through the pine woods

In midnight's unreachable miles

Drive I onward in the darkness

Intrepid traveler on this road of memories

Through Wayland, Natick and Sherborn

Past stagecoach roads and graveyards

And the rustle of Autumn leaves

The memories of all of I've known

Drown in mystery fathoms of forgotten

Beneath Time's passing indifference.

Reflections Of The Moon Over A Lake

Ancient moon,
Guardian of truth
Your silent smile beckons,
Across crystal reaches of midnight waters
And in your glowing smile
The secrets of death and time.

As sea blown clouds drift opalescently across these waters,
In your eyes,
The death of all who've passed into the shades of Summer nights,
A cloud, a last goodbye before the winds of time
Their eyes knowing the silent secret of your smile
They join in on the chorus of a million nights
And beckon me to join them in nocturnal eyes of silence.

Let the crickets' call and frogs' symphony carry me to your eternal truth Smiling empress of night, of silence, of death.

Sweep me from the violence of these waters To passages of time, Away from the stormy battles of my destiny.

Summer moon,
Bringer of midnight winds
Scents of jasmine that sway the branches of mystical trees
Like the winds that pull me from this place of midnight
To this moment of mystery I share with thee, silver Luna.

Your ascent across the skies,
Reflected in the glassy depths of this lake of dreams,
Neath the opal clouds
Drifting their sad farewell to this world I leave behind.

The Maenad's Song

On a hillside flowing with Spring's song
The palm trees swirl to the music of my heart
Sultry maenads, who spawn forth from fantasy's depths
Sing their lustful melodies that echo in the reaches of my mind
Will youthful love break these icy bonds that imprison my heart
radiating its warmth to a heart so deprived
in an explosion of brilliance
fulfilling the empty spaces of my life's journey?

On this hillside, I vow
No longer will the walls of doubt and isolation
stem the flow of the maenad's song
that surges forth to these crumbling castle walls
Let their voices burst through this prison of my making
And bring to this mind and skin life in warm intimate waves....



Autumn Dreams

Woman of my dreams,

Still feel you through ascending pathways of Autumn trees

that open up before me

Graced with golden leaves

Kissed by the sunsets of a million dreams

Flying in crystalline shapes of rapture

Your hair of scarlet, billowing across the hills

Your arms, transforming to wings across the sunset

Your face, beckoning me from plains of midnight

Your sweet voice, echoing hauntingly across Autumn meadows

Calling to me from the deep recesses of hallucinogenic

memories.

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The Old Harbor

Went down to the sea today Rode my bike on the sea wall Looked out over the windy waters The old harbor Now a city of memories Of Summer camp and birthday parties Dissolving in the mirrors of my youth City of my parents, grandparents and relatives Their faces and voices floating in the depths of the blue green waters of the bay, Glistening in the afternoon sun Calling me back From this ocean they came To this ocean, they've returned But all the love they gave, And the lessons they taught In my heart, remain.



Lake Grove Impressions

A moment lost in the September chill,
Spirit memories in the wind,
Chiseled stones dotting the grassy splendor of this verdant hollow,
Silence breathes through the trees by the lake,
In a precious world hidden from all eyes but mine,
Pristine sanctuary of peace,
Drawing me into its dreamy center,
On the shady hillside,
Faint images and memories dancing among lichen covered gravestones,
Relaxing in cool dampness,
In this, my sepulchre of eternity,
Holding me in its embrace.



Through The Mystic Breeze

To walk down country roads during Spring's windswept advance, Neath the serene light of April's full moon
Draped in cirrus mists,
The cooling winds of freedom, rushing down a darkened street
Raising my eyes upward,
Toward starry diamonds, timeless, all-knowing
That peak through long oak branches,
Swaying in the midnight wind,
My mind adrift in memories, bittersweet
Of friends and times, long gone.
Their images fade in the citrine glow
As I walk on,
Through the mystic breeze.



Streets Of Hull

Rivers flow down towards the bay And with them, lifetimes swept away Of cobble stones and windswept sand And legends of our native land I walk alone down avenues Of shifting sands and ocean hues And faces from another time From road to sandy bluffs, I climb Down by the sea, the windy shore Whispers their names, who are no more Pale ghosts who wander by the sea Up from the waves, they call to me Of whalers, who for glory, yearned And sailing ships that ne'er returned Of sailors brave and lovely maids To them, the ocean serenades I sip my beer and hear a gull Lost on these timeless streets of Hull.

The Realm Of Moonlight

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In the mystic moments of Winter's silent scene
Lies a realm of moonlight, so precious and serene
That glows in frozen splendor above the leafless trees
And leads the mind to wander in ancient mysteries
So surreal and entrancing, it rules the endless sky
In mesmerizing wonder to the slumbering eye
This dreamland of the ages, adrift in silver haze
Shines through my bedroom window, and to its mists, I gaze.



Midnight Moon

Work your magic across the sky
Midnight Moon, pearlescent queen
To your smile, my spirit flies
Through the clouds and mists pristine.

Drawn by your hypnotic glare Proud Selene, eternally Captured by your silver stare And the spell you've put on me.

Pearly mistress, guide me home To my castle by the sea Blessed, these miles that I roam Neath your shining mystery.

From the fires in my heart
With rhyming verse, I honor thee
Before the morning makes its start
Thou blazing orb of poetry.

Pathways Of The Mind

A mystic path winds through my mind Of misty gold, its trees sublime Where heaven's winds caress the fields A Summer dreamscape so surreal And it spurs me to venture on To emerald depths of Avalon Where music dances on the breeze And magic swirls amidst the trees More blissful realms, I'll never find These dreamy pathways of the mind.



This Wretched Path

Branches move and sadly sway Their farewell to this long day Shadows over woodlands, creep As this village drifts to sleep.

The sad song of a twilight loon Greets the rising crescent moon As sunset's crimson fades to black For healing love, I feel a lack.

Far past the twilight's interlude
I pay the price for solitude
The night has rendered my dreams dark
So down these empty streets I walk.

Now toward my cabin, I retreat As day to night passes complete In evening's chill, its plainly shown This wretched path, I walk alone.

This need for love, inside it drums So cruel a sting when nightime comes As loneliness inwardly maims Another night, my heart, it claims.

Soon in my cabin, I'll recline
And pour a glass of bitter wine
And drift to sleep's merciful arms
To dream of some fair lover's charms.

Aurora

Fair Aurora,
Paints her sky with brush strokes of amethyst
On misty clouds, she rides
Past the glory of the Morning Star
A sea of opal pours through gates of sleep
And pearly clouds gather like foam on timeless waves
As she pushes back the night on her turquoise tide,
Making way to mother-of-pearl.



Of Distant Dreams

Of distant dreams that call in the silence of dusk,
Their resonance in tropic humidity
Calling to me through the jacaranda and palm
past the swirling spanish moss
Their melodies resounding like bells in the lilac evening
And the chorus of crickets that drifts out to a harvest moon sky
O distant dreams that calm my sadness
and wrap me in their warmth
on passing ocean breezes,
Meander through stirring branches of twilight forests
to greet my Summer desolation,
sweeping me to your fabled lands,
beyond evening's gateways.



Autumn Sky

Sapphire blue and cirrus white Silver smile of bright moonlight Leads me down where spirits meet All along this silent street Fleecy clouds that glow on high Brighten up the midnight sky Haunted cries and past life streams Fill this windy realm of dreams Stranded now on ghostly lanes To far hills and astral plains Blue moon shines her mystery In her light, I know I'm free Spellbound, I behold her rise Opal of the crystal skies Fills the night, her jasmine kiss Starlit boulevards of bliss Autumn sky, my mind, you've raised To your heights, I drift, amazed.

Walls Of Babylon

To the walls of Babylon I float
In the summer heat of centuries
I drift to the graves of kings,
Who ruled from thrones of lapis lazuli,
In the shadow of hanging gardens
Their voices, down long corridors, echoed,
With the scent of frankincense and myrrh
This blue glazed palace, where caravans strayed,
To quench their thirst neath burning skies,
Now, distant memories, in sun-baked rubble
Yet Ishtar rises, sweet desert nymph,
Like a vision, o'er her broken walls
Her song, like a rainbow mist,
Over endless plains, calling,
In the depths of my dreams.



Strange Visions

The desolate graveyards of yesterday's tears
Are lying below me in wilderness clears
The pale spectral faces that wait behind doors
They gather before me o'er bleak granite floors
These ghosts of my nightmares drift silently on
As this tempest rages so long before dawn
The midnight's dark voices in hallways, resound
As I feel the presence of spirits earthbound
Night whispers, they're calling, as strange as it seems
These voices enthralling in ominous dreams
Strange visions I'm knowing, so ghostly, congeal
In Luna's bright glowing o'er landscapes surreal.



Mermaid

I saw her just the other day Swimming in a Western bay I saw her face I knew it was love.

Smiling mermaid of the Seven Seas
It was then she looked at me
I saw her face
I knew it was love.

And she called out my name
And I knew it would never be the same to me
In waves of crashing ecstasy
She's calling me from an emerald sea
Mermaid.

The sunset came, the full moon rose A windy beach where no one goes To water's edge, I walked along.

And then a voice called out to me As moonlight swept the endless sea So beautiful, her mermaid song.

And the Moon, it did rise
As I looked into her deep blue eyes
And heard the roar
Of breakers on that ancient shore
So close to me forever more
Mermaid.

She will be there
When I want her
Swimming out, into the blue.

Like an angel
On a seashell
Ocean girl, I love you
And you know she will be

Shining mermaid of the sea.

And she called out my name
And I knew it would never be the same to me
In waves of crashing ecstasy
She's calling me from an emerald sea
Mermaid.

Cruel, Cruel Love

A bank of mists burns scarlet gold Across the dusk in Autumn skies As sunset glows with colors bold The emptiness within me cries.

How deeper would these colors shine To watch this scene 'tween loving arms And feel the warmth of lips divine Across my brow, romantic charms.

And what I'd give if I could find That girl with eyes that softly gleam She smiles at me within my mind But fades away just like a dream.

Somewhere out there, lovers embrace In pastel rooms with candlelight Neath crumpled sheets of velvet lace Their passion echoes through the night.

But here for me, a wretched poem
To cry out to the empty sky
And to the Moon as I drift home
Oh cruel, cruel Love, you've passed me by!

Spectral Siren Of The Night

Up on a hill, I saw a light
In bitter cold December gloom
On frozen roads of windy night
Past avenues of graves and tombs.

I carefully walked, strickened with dread On rocky paths of ancient years To byways of the lonely dead Where midst the trees, they shed their tears.

The winding trail, it took me high Toward Moose Hill's haunted mystery I heard a woman's eerie cry That like thin smoke, flowed down to me.

In misty dark, I made my way And came upon a thorny hedge On broken paths, as clear as day, A stone house on a craggy ledge.

She smiled at me beside her door With sparkling eyes and scarlet hair A face that made my fires roar Voluptuous beyond compare.

She bade me then to come inside And through that door, I quickly raced White candles glowed on every side As flames danced in her fireplace.

This spectral siren of the night Right next to me, her body thrust So mesmerizing with delight It stirred those burning flames of lust.

The fire in her eyes, it gleamed We kissed and then she gently spoke But disappeared, twas just a dream And in my bedroom, I awoke. Next morn, I climbed that steep terrain In hope I'd find her by her door A pile of rocks, all that remained Of some old house from years before.

A weathered gravestone stood nearby I walked to it and then I saw
An epitaph from years gone by
Its worn words shook me to the core.

'In life, they called me Lizabeth
For years lived on that ledge above
Though turned to dust, conquered by death
My spirit lingers here for love'.

A Winter Scene

Cottony lace surging across the season's sky

And starry jewels scintillating in dreamy heavens

White birch spires lost in the swirling clouds of December's majesty

That blazing spark of winter's glory

Imbued with precious evergreen scent

Shining down through leafless branches

A mystery that draws us up

To this silent celebration of Christmastime.



Your Memory On This Road Of Solitude

Distant lover,
Cast your mournful spell across the evening's cold
On this road I glide, past shuttered homes
The glare of street lights play across the shadows
I feel your embrace, though miles away you lie,
Cross the unforgiving silence
Pine branches, like a tapestry
Above this road that goes nowhere
Across the vault of haunted sky that shines its stars through the branches
Piercing me in desolation as I gaze upward
The scent of pine and smoke, embracing me in my solitude
Like your memory,
Guiding me back through the amethyst night.



Flamingo Dawn

Shimmering light on dawn's lake
A rising sun of caramel gold
This flamingo land silent, in waves of motion
Its smiles rising over flowing distances
Blue heron gliding over silver waters
Mirroring the lazy sky
Sun disk exploding forth with golden rays
Piercing the horizon in brilliance
Flooding my eyes with liquid gold
This super nova of tropical fire
Surging forward in dancing rainbows.



My Burning Quest

I hear your voice reverberate Captured on crumbling acetate The music we made in our past We thought those times would ever last My guitar rang, the drums did boom I listen from this darkened room Our music jams, our songs, our friends Dissolve into a dream that ends Those carefree days, our sweet escape These dreams remain on this old tape Our songs, we gave them our best try But I forget, the times slipped by The music of our hearts' delight Is now just echoes in the night To raise our band from its long rest I vow to make my burning quest.



Like The Spring Wind

Warm Spring wind,
Streaming past my vale in swirling crescendos
Past the grey skies of the barren Winter's sorrows
A refreshing breeze,
Roaring past heaving branches in this new season's panorama
From the sparkling seas,
New life merging with the clarion winds over swaying trees and hillocks
This symphony resounding in victory
O'er the bleak wastelands of Winter's dominion
May new love, like the Spring wind
Glide and melt this Winter's heart that reigns in my being
May her kiss forever free me from the bonds of yesterday's prison
Like the sun warming the cold earth
And her touch, like a breath of new life.



Musical Dream

I dreamt I came up to the shore And stared out on the windy bay Bright city lights aglow, I saw, Miami Beach, a mile away.

I felt our band had reached our dream
As ocean clouds drifted along
No doubt, dear Mari, it would seem
The whole wide world now loved your song.

In rapture, I gazed at the sea
Our band had finally met with fame
Our music now had set us free
And everybody knew our name.

This feeling of success, so real, Nothing with it could e'er compare To know our music gained appeal Across the country, everywhere.

They beckoned us, those lights of gold To share our music with the night And build a dream of things untold As I awoke in sheer delight.

But fame flew by, and left us here And with time, passed our merry band Still my sweet dream remains so clear When I hear songs of Mari Ann.

In Distant Memories

I remember the Moon over the bay, at Sanibel
When we walked its golden sands, hand in hand
The colored lights of Fort Meyers shown like gems for us,
Across the mystic waters,
The orange Moon in its perfection, smiling down upon us
As we tread on the soft sands, through the gentle breeze
Our new love soaring on that special night
Two poets, two friends, walking out toward the sea,
The crystal waters reflecting the fire of burning Luna
Deep truths we shared that night, by those glistening waters
And our love, eternal
Your laughter drifting, I recall, across the midnight bay
O what I'd give to join you now, on that magic beach,
So long ago, so far away, in distant memories...



Your Mermaid Song

We meet again one dreamy night
Of emerald green on midnight's shore
Warm waves reflected in the light
Of silver moon forevermore.

I listen to your soaring voice That echoes cross the sapphire waves And causes my heart to rejoice For music of the sea, it craves.

In this Aegean dream, we play
This magic beach of windswept sand
In pale moonlight, we've lost our way
Here where the ocean meets the land

Sweet Mari Ann, your poet ways
Through endless dunes, you lead me on
Way past the rocks, lost in a daze
Enraptured by your mermaid song

Mystic Words

From this verdant hallowed site By the plains, forevermore Bathed in golden morning light I can watch brave eagles soar.

By the ancient, misty plain
In the shade of oak trees brown
Fed by endless Winter rain
I can hear the West wind's sound.

As I watch a rustic bog Mystic words flow out to me Sitting on a weathered rock Neath the forest canopy.

A humble spot it may now seem On this lichen covered stone But like a vision in a dream 'Tis poetry's exalted throne.

So I come here every day
To this sunny Shangri La
Catching words that come my way
On the winds from meadows far.

The Winds Of Winter

Intrepid these winds that swirl through the listless night,
On white marble clouds that coalesce in silence
They carry a certain malice,
Surging forward from the deep ocean far
These winds in the cold gloom
No deliverance they send, nor compassion
Just the grey looming vapors of the coming Winter
Gathering from afar,
A stark panorama in exhausting frames of vision,
I stand beneath their medieval fury.



The Freedom Of The Sea

Brave sailors who sailed distant seas In ages, crossing Neptune's realm Sweet treasure's call, their minds, it pleased Through surging waves, they took the helm.

With sextants held neath silver stars They plied swift currents in the breeze And sailed their ships to islands far Past harbor lights and port cities.

For what rich treasures spurred their quests For gold or silver, were they sent With wanderlust that never rests To ends of earth they gladly went.

But give me treasure that is real The chance to write some poetry On swirling waves, this heart will heal And feel the freedom of the sea.

Don't want to stay here anymore And drown in my uncertainties I'd rather hear the ocean's roar And see Gibraltar's majesty.

And know that I shall join someday Those ancient mariners of yore And reach that land so far away Elysium's enchanted shore.

An Ode To Mystras

A wind-swept plain in morning light Beneath the heights of ancient slopes The golden rays that drowned the night Renew again these broken hopes.

From this deep valley I have seen Grey castles on a steep terrain Old Mystras still sits so pristine So high above the Spartan plain.

Her rocky slopes tell the story
Of the blood that washed her castle walls
Through battles won, she earned her glory
To wounded cries and trumpet calls.

The brilliant silver armour gleamed
As armies rushed her citadel
Her gallant knights against them streamed
With bravery, the castle held.

The years have passed like the hot breeze That still swirls o'er her ruined walls Fair jewel of the Peloponnese You've earned a place in valour's halls.

Ghosts Of Summers Lost

When dusk comes, I take my walk Meeting ghosts of Summers lost Near the lake, they often flock On the paths, in youth, I crossed.

Breaking waves upon the beach Bring the winds of evening's blue Feeling lost and out of reach On this twilight rendezvous.

Voices calling on the breeze Past the rocks where I would play Laughing banter through the trees Echoes from another day.

How the drifting white sands fly
O'er this barren, windy shore
Like the years that pass me by
Leaving ghosts forevermore.

Vision Of Tyche

I looked up to the sky, the twilight rising, In a Floridian park, saw a vision spellbinding, The goddess Tyche, She appeared to me, On a throne of gold overlooking the sea, Goddess of Chance and Fortune strong, Protectress of the fair port Ascalon, Melting caramel clouds of time, Drifted over a windy shoreline, Through the mists I could plainly see, Her immortal gaze of serenity, In shimmering mists, She was wearing a crown, Gazing over this city of much renown, As time stood still, I watched in awe, This ancient goddess of the Levantine shore, Fortune has gone, but forever She must, Watch o'er a dead city long buried in dust.



Silver Dreams

Silver lace spun cross the sky
Pierced by Luna's blazing eye
Moonlit walk takes me away
Down quaint lanes of autumn gray
Cooling winds of season's end
Follow like a long lost friend
Till their fury sets me free
Neath this glowing tapestry
On to silver dreams, in flight
Borne by soaring wings of night.



Poetry Goddess

In the depths of azure of my mystical dream
The warm summer winds that pull me downstream
On a river of gold that runs through my mind
Past billowing curtains of tropical vines
To a verdant green garden that captures my eye
Neath the circling dance of the birds in the sky
My poetry goddess, she waits for me there
So graceful in form with a beauty so rare
She's calling me back with a warm serenade
From heavenly meadows of blossoming jade
In the depths of azure of my mystical dream
And the warm summer winds that pull me downstream.



Tapestry Of Life

If you could see the tapestry of life on which all our lives are woven, Then you'd feel the purpose to which we've all been chosen, As our lives surge forward like waves on an endless ocean, There's so much we can do to fill our world with devotion, The value and effect of all that we do, Transforms our planet and environment too, The pain, the sadness, the joy and the growing, All enrich our lives with the seeds of all-knowing, The wisdom that burns within, heals us like a song, Like the rays of the sun as it warms a cold empty dawn, So if we treasure each moment like it was our last, We're treasuring our lives, future, present and past, When we see that glory lies in each moment, we'll be drawn, Like dandelion seeds carried by a mystic wind, to a new golden dawn.



A Vision On The Autumn Breeze

October winds, they came at last Across the hills and ponds, they passed And strewed bright autumn leaves around So wonderful, their stirring sound Relentlessly, they lured my mind Down ancient paths that ever wind So forthwith I sped through my door Toward Massapoag's long sandy shore And to the windy beach, I came As waters glowed with twilight's flame I felt your love on me enfold As I gazed out on waters gold So movingly, our hearts were one Neath crimson rays of setting sun Though far across the land, you dwelt Eternal was the love I felt That spanned the mountains and the seas And rode the wild Autumn breeze Now Autumn days to Winter, turn This vision will, in my heart, burn.

On The Road To Rebirth

Take this path unto the sea Neath bright clouds, chalcedony On a marbled path I walk Past these twisted trees so dark Here the moon eerily gleams On this road of haunted dreams To my destination far Beckons like a silver star From a place where waters dance Guiding me, my midnight trance Swaying branches lead the way To a glowing moonlit bay See it shine beyond the bend There my sad life's journey's end Feel the wind as I come near To the endless ocean clear Lapping waves, please take me in Toward my rebirth, I begin To your mystery, I leap Pulled by ocean currents deep Soon to me, a new life's shown Out here in the great unknown.

From Here To Persepolis

Desert star of melting silver,
Gleaming through the clouds
The crossroads of desert merging in midnight's gloom,
From here to Persepolis
This royal road of ghost castles, disappearing into nowhere,
Neath glowing starshine
Like fields of rubies in the night.

Crescent moon in the heights of clouds, luminous, over desert vistas I hear the Silk Road calling me
Toward endless mountains, unconquered in the purple night
My dreams, my treasure, slipping by like hot desert sands
Carried by the wind over crossroads of infinity.

Castles crumble in the clouds
As Shahrazad of the night sings her stories to the wind,
In waves of desire, over Parthian roads of barreness,
My passion burning like stars in the sky
Feeling the warm caress of desert winds against my face
As I follow my love to the end of time,
Through the swirling sands of Persian nights.

A Greater Treasure

Worn coral paths of history
Wind gently neath the evening shadows
In this warm land of mystery
And restless site of ancient battles.

Deep turquoise blue of daylight fades To twilight's sea of scarlet gold Walk I, alone, by windy glades As evening's symphony enfolds.

The palm trees sway in tropic breeze
As golden Luna starts her rise
If you were here, this heart you'd please
I search for you in endless skies.

But you're not here, my search in vain As Luna shines her brilliant glow This gold moonlight can't rid the pain Of love that fled so long ago.

So stars, keep burning all night long My bruised heart's song is silenced mute The heavens cannot right this wrong Nor offer calming substitute.

The shining stars, I'll gladly miss
To your warm kiss, they cannot measure
The bright heavens offer no bliss
Your sweet caress, a greater treasure.

The Sibyl Of The Lake

At the gates of gloom,
By the shores of midnight waters.
She waits, radiant beauty of ancient dreams.
A delicate apparition of the misty night
The sibyl of the lake,
Watching through vaporous rings of haunted forests
She gazes across the waters adamantine
in the pearly glow of a ghostly moon
Scanning the black expanse of astral forests
and the cloudy legions that gather above
Emblazoned across the starry night
Her sibyl eye staring across these still waters,
to the Pleiades rising.



In Purple Dreams

In purple dreams I glide, over sultry evening roads,
Making my way homeward through night's crimson threshold,
Starlit dreams are melting across the ancient seasons,
Sweet scents of royal night, under cloudy swirling legions,
My mind reflected in galaxies, mesmerised, spellbound,
As the night wind gently flows, with supernatural sound,
In shimmering shades of shadows, in the wild jasmine breeze
Lies a pastoral scene of starlight through mystic swaying trees,
My journey's marked in colors, in passages of love,
I peer up through passing purple, to a presence up above,
Sweet woman of my dreams, gazing down from way up high,
Her lovely face reflected, in windy heights of sky
Dear Muse, your smile guides me to that home within my heart,
Till the night your sweet love finds me, 'neath evening's starry art..

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Seasons Of The Night

The misty firmament above in the hours before the rising sun
Swirls patterns deeply etched into the grey sky
Windy realm of night with its soaring echoes
A play of wind, clouds and dancing moonlight
The spirits of the ages play, spread across the invincible night
They play unseen, yet fill the Arcadian meadows with their presence
To the wind, they vow a burning promise
To the night, their unquenchable energies
In the windy sea sky, adrift with misty cloud schooners
The season of the Solstice sweeps her glowing gown
Drawn by oceanic breezes
Her midnight tempest spawns vaporous clouds 'cross the gloomy moors,
Her Druid song haunting the moonlit fields,
This swirling mirth of darkness strips the tired senses spellbound in these
seasons of the night.



Shahrazad

Shahrazad, dancer of the night
Behind the purple lattice of Persian screens
You dance to the rhythm of ancient voices
Swirling in the mirth of frankincense
Spinning into the night.

I drink from the silver chalice of your smile
Seeing crescent moons reflected in your eyes,
The echoes of singing voices radiate the vision of desert nights
As I feel my passion flowing
A river of silver and gold melting into distant plateaus.

Desert enchantress,
Spinning your dance eternal in the lapis depths of evening's promise
I surrender now to your smile
Let me drown in the music of your dark eyes
Your seductive voice,
Leading me to misty moonscapes and ruined castle walls.

Shahrzad,
Swaying to the syncopating rhythms of bells and drums.
Beneath a Persian moon.
Drawing me to the magic of your spell.

Angel

Silver curtains of moonlight, Undulating slowly over glowing hillsides Bathing me in their radiance.

My moonlight walk,
Through darkened, foliaged passageways,
Opening to mountain vistas of eternity
And of soaring angels,
Marble visaged in the silver glow of dancing mists
Neath the full moon's glow.

Crimson woman of my Summer dreams, In the guise of a smiling angel Her flowing hair in the swirling wind, like fire Her touch, soothing me like quenching waters.

She leads me through smoky cloud realms On the burning rivers of her smile, To distant meadows of Summer's moon.

Epitaph

I vanished in the midnight wind Neath silver glare of hallowed moon Pale mistress Death, she calmly grinned And firmly held my hand too soon.

Into the night, I quickly flew
As deep sadness possessed my mind
To shadowlands, my spirit drew
And left the mortal life behind.

And now you read this chiseled poem As whistling wind in moonlight plays Forever will my spirit roam While quickly pass time's fleeting days.

Don't call on me, I can't explain Death's mystery, in nature, lies Someday you'll walk that misty lane Far past the clouds of Autumn skies.

Goddess Of Eternal Night

Magic marble purple, melting into the windy night,
She stands in the distance, on a hill,
High above the plains of Infinity,
The Goddess of Eternal Night,
Holding a torch of white fire,
Cold chill of the night, through swaying branches,
Her flames beckoning all minds transfixed in this moment,
Across endless reaches of Autumn darkness,
The Luna glare pulsating in a chilly breeze,
As my weary mind sets sail for Her kingdom,
Bathed in the splendor of Her burning light.



The Garnet Star

Look up, behold the garnet star
High up in starry heavens far
Bright amber jewel that shines pristine
What ancient secrets have you seen
Over a distant desert void
Its crumbling castles, long destroyed
And ghostly armies passing by
Naught could escape your piercing eye
Bold crimson star, we're far apart
But your deep gaze enchants my heart
So radiate your mystery
That through the night, calls out to me
And please impart, I do appeal
Your mystic secrets to reveal.

