

Poetry Series

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My name is Terry Coates but everyone calls me Lavell. Poetry came to me at a very very young age it was a way for me to just get all my anger, problems, and feelings out. To me it is a way to deal with life on a everyday basis it has really helped me alot in my life.

Am I Dead Or Dying?

My friends
My family
Where are they now
I am in a eternal darkness with no sound
It even seems that my words have no sound
My echoes go long and loud
Someone please answer to my sound
I am cold and shivering
The darkness freezes my bones
Am I dead
Or just being held down
I am scared and crying out
God hear my voice
Please get me out
I start to see images of blood and guts
I see a man who was bleeding from his eyes
He walks to me and says I am you in 3 years
I stare blank and even more silent
Is this my life to come, why do I deserve this?
Can I even change my life to stop this prediction to be?
Is God showing me what I already am?
Or is God showing me what I will be
As I stay in this darkness I am trying to get out
But one question still pops up
Am I dead or dying?

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As I Walk In The Dark I Can Not See

As I walk in the dark I can not see
Wondering what is this place to be
As I walk faster and faster into the dark
I feel a thump on my head saying go further into the dark
As I go further and further I start to worry
Asking God for help in a hurry
Just out of nowhere
A big shining light
It is my mother reaching, and speaking
Don't give up
That God will not give you up

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Bundled Up Inside Of Me

As I keep it in
I get eager and eager
Waiting to explode
But when I do there is a story that's told
The lies but not the truths are told
So I will try to keep it in for as long as I can
But there will be no promises until the day end.
When I let it all out
It might be something
So let's just have space in between
If we get to close you might feel a little hurt.

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Class Is Gay

Class is not the place for me
For all I do is sleep
I come sit and learning nothing
For a whole week
I grow tired and weary at looking at a screen
That is why I asked to leave
They told me know multiple times
That is why I grow mean
After this year I'll be able to leave
With a true dream
The people in my class are lazy and dumb
They really need to smoke weed
For now you know why I hate class
So please let me leave

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Cold

Cold, empty, black at heart
I am a person who has really fought
Fought for the rights to grow and grow
Till God comes and tell me my role
When that day come I will do wats right
To go to heaven
To sit next to my father
Cause I am his son

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Day By Day

Day by day
I feel so empty
Day by day
I feel so lost
Day by day
I feel left out
Day by day
My emotions get the best of me
Day by day
My emotions becomes pointless
Day by day
My emotions are changing and changing
Day by day
The people around me disappoints me
Day by day
The people around me make a fool of themselves
Day by day
The people around me are destroying my life
Day by day
I am looking for a change
Day by day
I am looking for an opportunity
Day by day
I am looking to find anything
Day by day
I am trying to go for it all

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Don't Waste My Time

Don't waste my time
Keep moving,
I don't want to talk
You talk about nothing
You are boring
You are a waste of breathe
Don't waste my time
I told you before
I am here for myself
I walk this path
I don't like to repeat
Don't waste my time
You're a gold-digger
You just want my valuables
You want get it
I want let you
Don't waste my time
This my last time telling you
An telling you why

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Dreams

A dream

Dreams are the essence of life

Within the lines of happiness

It takes you to place you have never been

Never went

Or make your fantasies come true

It what makes us who we are

It makes us human

It makes you see things that you have forgot

Or need back in your life

It lets you see the past present and future

It is an ability to have to harness

And express with others around you

It what makes people free from everything

From sunrise to sunset

A dream

A dream

Dreams can be harmful and hateful

Between the boundaries of anger

The boundaries of love

The boundaries of hate

The boundaries of depression

The boundaries of being deceived

Dreams can make you kill your close ones

Dreams can make you hate your friends

Dreams can make you pass out

Dreams are full of surprises

All bundled up inside your mind

Waiting to be released at any moment

A dream

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He Follows Me

I am afraid to sleep at night
For I have a feeling that he might bite
I see him in the day time
In the shadows waiting to snatch me from my life
This is the first time I have ever been afraid
Afraid to sleep, move, and even talk
I have even prayed to my savior but it did not work
In this a test from God
Or does the shadow want me for his bidding
What ever it is please leave me alone
For it is not time for me to go home

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Heartbroken

I'm so sad that you have broken my heart
You said that you didn't know me that was an arrow to the heart,
Can you take a time out and give me a chance
For all I want to do is be your man
Will you be my woman if I get to know you?
Or is that a lie for saying that you don't want anything to do with me
I'm still heartbroken but my love will last forever
I hope this class goes on forever for I can see your beautiful face,
Because you are the only one that I will truly love

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Her Beauty

I see her everyday
I am so scared
To speak one word
I know she likes me to
When our eyes connect
It's so beautiful
It feels like tears run down my face
Causing a flood when I walk
Her beauty so great you can't imagine
Her smile makes the sun I
Look like the moon
It out brighten it a million to one
Nothing can be better than her image
She makes me break to my knees
She makes me want to say
Please take me
When I give this to her
I hope she feels the same way

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His Name

As I pray day in and day out
I pray that one day I will go to his house
For no one can stop me from getting there
Accept for myself that I will not allow
The day I am taken to his home
I want to sit next to him on his throne
For we are all brothers and sisters we should all want to go
If you don't believe in his name
Hell shall be your domain for internal pain
There is no return when you go
Make your decision you have to go.

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I Love The Way

I love the way her eyes is so big with beauty
Her dark, lushes' pupils that look like they been stolen from a cat
When you look into them they tell there own story
A mystery and I am the detective
I love the way her lips fill out her face
So amazing, so life feeling
When mine and hers connect
It causes a flame that can never be put out
I love the way her hips feel out her body
That coke bottle grove that makes all men want to stare
When my hands touch her hips
I know she is the one for me
I know she is mine forever; no other man can take her from me
I love the way we make love
The love that goes on for endless hours
We touch every part of each others body
When she reaches her peak I know we are never done
We go, go, go, and go
Until the early morning come and tell us our love is finish
Finish for the day of expressing our love
We are one she is my equal
We will be together forever

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I Miss You

When I wake in the morning
I want you to be there
Putting your love an beauty through the air
When I see your picture on the wall
I break to my knees wondering, an pondering
Waiting for your 1000 watt smile
Even though I have accepted your departure
I know I will see that smile again someday
For it was the dawn of my day
The set in the night
That will be always till the end of my day
Rest in Peace Granny

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I Still Here

I still standing
I am still here
I been through deaths
I been through fights
I been shot
I been stabbed
I been through pain
I been through suffering
I been through sadness
I been through the good times
I been through torture
I have experienced it all
I have done it all
I have destroyed my life
I have messed up bad
I have been spoiled
I am still here
I am still standing

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I Tried

I hate dis world so much,
I tried to runaway,
I kept getting caught by dat thing name pain,
It hit my heart so hard,
I didn know wat to do,
I was shocked, confused, and froze in place,
I started to think of myself as a fuckin disgrace,
I tried an tried,
But I just couldn compute,
Now dat I m in a big ass hole,
Im just tryin to figure if I gon grow old with
Pain, loneliness, and sadness to live,
Im different da average person,
My choices are da reason of dat

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I Woke Up This Morning For A Meaning

I woke up this morning
Tired, sleepy, and felt shity as hell
I still got up
I knew if I didn't it would prove everyone's theory right about me
That I am a failure
I will amount to nothing at all
I proved them wrong this morning
I proved to them that I am better than them
I am a great person
I am successful

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I'm Blind

I am a blind man
Searching to see the light
The woman to tell me she loves me
The family that will support me
Through thick and thin
To all of my sins
I feel like I walk through an alley
That is pitch black
Waiting for anything to give me site
Nothing happens
But a smooth touch on my skin
The nerves in my bones tingle and twitch
Like I have more than one switch
But then I feel like I fell of a cliff
Bam, I hit something, and it was all a dream.

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Im Caught

Im caught
Im caught
I don't know wat to do
Im confused, lost
Trapped in a maze
In a corner squeezed
Running out of breath
Help, help
Someone please help me
I am only a child
So please help me be free
I have done nothing

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Im Lonely

I stay in the shadows
Weak and scared
Waiting for someone to love me
To this day
I m so lonely that I stay to myself
That is the reason I care for no one
If you care for me let me know
Then I will know that you are the one

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Im Sorry

Im sorry
Im sorry I made you mad
Im sorry I mad you sick
Im sorry I raised your blood pressure
Im sorry I am this way
Im sorry I am always joking
Im sorry I hope you listen
Im sorry you have to deal with me
Im sorry because you my nigga
Im sorry if I caused any pain to you
Im sorry for writing this poem
Im sorry

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It Wasn't Me It Was You

It wasn't me, who made you cry,
It wasn't me, who said good bye,
It wasn't me, that wanted to die,
It wasn't me, who cheated,
It wasn't me, who said I hate you,
It wasn't me, who said I want this to be over.
It wasn't me, it was you
It was you, who made yourself cry,
It was you, who said good bye,
It was you, that said you wanted to die,
It was you, that cheated,
It was you, who said I hate you,
It was you, who said I want this to be over.
It wasn't me, it was you.

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Life Is A Book

Life is a book

A book that goes passing by

A tale that is read to fast

A book that can stop at any moment

A tale that can tell lies and the truth

A book that can tell you stories

A tale that can be taken by another

A book that is life

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Livin In Anger, Love, And Hate

Livin in anger

Anger that has no ending

Anger that has no fear

Anger that has no wants

Anger that has no needs

Anger that will keep comin

Anger that will keep hurtin

Anger that will keep killin

Livin in love

Love that lives forever

Love that everyone needs

Love that will surpass everything

Love lives inside

Love that will make your life easy

Love that will make your life hard

Love that is so pure

Love that is so hateful

Livin in hate

Hate that haunts and haunts

Hate that creeps and sneaks

Hate that makes the best out of situations

Hate that makes the worst out of situations

Hate that tells the truth

Hate that people hide

Hate that people express with words

Hate that can and cannot be controlled

Hate that runs the world

Hate that everyone has

Livin in Anger, Love, and Hate

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Love And Hate

Is love hate?

Is hate love?

Is love a Sin?

Is hate a Sin?

Or is it the thing that separates us from Heaven and Hell?

Do you go home and cry because you hate someone or do you go home and pray bad things upon them?

Do you go home at night and build confidence to love someone the next day or do you pray to be loved by someone?

Do you love to see someone suffer?

Or do you hate to see someone suffer?

Are you afraid to be loved or are you afraid of being hated?

Is love and hate what needed to survive in the world or is that what people think it is?

Is love what needed to be noticed in life or is its what's programmed in our life from our parents?

In the end the question still stand what is love and hate?

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Love Is A Rose

Love is like a rose you pick on that great spring day
It has life love fullness and gratefulness
It opens your mind and sees real beauty
But love is like a rose
When you pick it up and start to dream
You pluck each petal off saying
She loves me
She loves me not
When the petals run out
What do you say?
Is this the end of us or the enjoyment of the day?
Does this answer determine the outcome?
Is the true question of the day?
But love is like a rose on a great spring day
Its dries from its roots
It crumbles and curls over
It becomes so bitter
You repeat to yourself again
She loves me
She loves me not
It is a mystery, a blur that everyone suffers
When will love be good instead of being hurt and punished?
Is love the meaning of death like the black rose
It makes you scared paranoid about life
What will come of it and all its darkest secrets?
Love is like a rose on a great spring day
It can symbolize the struggle you have been through
When a dying rose rises again
The greatest gift to give and the greatest gift to receive
Love is like a rose
A rose on a great spring day

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Malcolm X

The leader dat I really like
He uses power to show his might
He once was a criminal dat would always fight
Steal and rob to get through the night
He was born Malcolm Little
Who is a genius dat make wrong decisions
But when he was in jail he found da light
To become Muslim and always fight
He got out early for good behavior
An now he is powerful world leader
He got equal rights for African Americans
But was assassinated in 1964
For bein so right
His life will live an live
For the sake of generations
To speak and fight

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Mother

Mother you are the one
The one that did it all
Gave me birth
Gave me life
Gave me a path
A good path
Gave me knowledge
Gave me respect
Showed me how to show respect
Gave me a good heart
Showed me how to love
Gave me love
You are my shining star
You are my only star
I love you Mama

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My Brother

My brother
My brother is my keeper
My brother is my best friend
My brother is my pain
My brother is my hero

To take life
To have life
My brother did both
He is the source of all evil
The good in every evil
He lay down at let life fly
When he arise he wants to die
To take life to a new heights

My brother is my keeper
My brother is my best friend
My brother is my pain
My brother is my hero

He does things that hurt me so bad
That I wish he would die
He punishes me for the simplest thing
That's when I turn mean
He tells on me to mother
When I do nothing at all

My brother is my keeper
My brother is my best friend
My brother is my pain
My brother is my hero

He is my best friend
My friend that would do anything for me
From taking a life
To giving CPR
Stand next to me from thick and thin
Until the end of our time

My brother is my keeper
My brother is my best friend
My brother is my pain
My brother is my hero

He is my keeper
My keeper that feeds me
That helps me make decisions
He is where my home is
He will take a bullet, or knife
To throat
He is my and all ways will be my keeper

My brother Lamont
My brother is my keeper
My brother is my best friend
My brother is my pain
My brother is my hero

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My Burden

My burden is deep, for that is why I smoke weed
I do the drug because it eases my mind and I can unwind
The drug helps me be free as a bird
Like all my sins are gone just me and the poems
My burden is so heavy, it breaks my knees
For I can break to my knees, and say please let me free
My burden ways over a 100 tons that is why I walk like am done
I go to others to help me be free, but know one has an answer for me
I walk in the shadows lonely and sad, wishing to God that I wasn't so bad
If there is any help out there please let me free, for I will be your debt forever to
be

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My Dream

My dream

My dream is to wake up normal
To wake up and just fit in with everyone else
To be accepted as an equal
To have friends or to love someone

My dream

My dream is to vision
To vision the future in a new perspective
To vision it and only see the light
The light that will guide me in the right path

My dream

My dream is to find her
To find that one person that will turn my whole life around
Turn it around in a fact that makes everything in life nothing
Nothing compared to her beauty, smile, or personality

My dream

My dream is to live life
Live life to the fullest, making good and bad decisions
To just be the person that said I did that or yea I fucked her
To make the one regret in life or the best thing possible

My dream

My dream is to realize
To realize the true meanings of life
To realize all the secrets people hide from you
To realize what life really means not what they want you to believe

My dream

My dream is to dream
To dream about everything
Everything from nothing to something

My dream

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My First Prayer

I said my first prayer
In months that have come
It was well worth it
I spit up the bad thoughts
An now I m full of nothing
Empty inside
Waiting for what life has set aside

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My Saki

1. In the lane,
With a cane.
Waiting to pay.

2. Dingle, dangle, doodle,
Jumping in the frame,
Full of great fame.

3. Once upon a time,
It was old and gray,
It was a large house.

4. Blue collar shirts,
Lying in the rain.
What a big shame.

5. Rain and tears,
Are all the same,
It is death.

6. Show storm, and thunderstorm,
Are both things of destruction,
It is weather.

7. Fall, fall, fall
Down in deep blue sea,
What will you see?

8. Look upon the sun,
Your eyes will start to run,
Don't stare at the sun.

9. Jumping jack Jupiter
Jumped right past the sun
And got burned.

10. Hello friends
Hello family
Good bye friends and family

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My Sin

Beat me, beat me
Kill me, kill me
I am evil
In da flesh
Till da death
From drinkin 2 fuckin
From smokin 2 huggin
I am da biggest sinner
I walk lonely
Wanting love
Wanting attention
When I find it
I kill it, I destroy it
2 da reason dat deep down, I am afraid of it
Afraid of wat mite happen
Afraid 2 hurt those around me
Afraid 4 myself 2 get hurt

My sin
Help me, help me
Love me, love me
Help me 2 be free
Help me 2 be saved
Help me 2 be loved
Love me, love me
Love me 2 be happy
Love me 2 give love
Love me 2 help me
My sin
Help me, help me
Love me, love me
Beat me, beat me
Kill me, kill me
My sin

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My Tears

My tear drop
Full of pain
Full of sadness
Full of hate
Full of love
Full of life
My tear drop

My tear drop
My tear tells its own story
My tear tells its own adventure
My tears tell its own quest
My tears tell me the truth
My tear drop

My tear drop
My tears are simple
My tears let me see clear through people
My tears are the only things I can trust
My tears let the world know something is wrong
My tear drop

My tear drop
Why do I shed tears?
Is it because of the things going on in my life?
Is it because of the people around me?
Is it because of the person I love?
Is it because of the hate and pain in my heart?
Or is it because of the love and happiness I have in my heart?
My tear drop

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My Wardrobe Makes Me Mean Business

I mean business

I mean business when I put on my shirt

My shirt that comes down to my neez

My shirt that is pitch black and no other color

My shirt that means respect where I come from

My shirt that makes me stand out in crowds

My shirt that over power everything it sees

I mean business

I mean business when I put on my shorts

My shorts that go down to my ankles

My shorts that have a fade of black but is white

My shorts that symbolize the struggle I go through on the streets

My shorts that make all others the same and simple

My shorts that make me who I am

I mean business

I mean business when I put on my shoes

My shoes that are a dark, dark black

My shoes that make me walk to get anything I need

My shoes that give me the serge

My shoes that also give me respect

My shoes are my third home

My wardrobe is my first home

I mean business

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No Feelings

Stay down,
Don't get up,
That how I felt when
U finally let me up,
I begged an begged
To let me go,
U did nothing but made
Me sit down like a hoe,
But now I have risen
Taller then you can imagine,
I am the source of all greatness
The diamond at its finest,
I can never be broken,
My heart can never be broken
For I am now cold hearted,
What ever you say
Will go through me,
For I am the wind going through trees,
Don't you realize by now
You can't hurt me anymore,
I am free,
I am a man,
I have pride,

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No Man Can Take My Sins Away

I'm sorry for what I have done
For there is no man who can take my sins away
The things that I say is not play but the way I feel
If I have hurt you, abused you in any way I am sorry
For there is no man who can take my sins away
I wake every morning searching for a new life
But instead I get punished for putting up a fight
I have fallen in a black hole that this time I can not get out
For there is no man who can take my sins
I feel bad for the humor that I have put upon you because it makes me sick on
the inside
I have broken them all for no reason
But to be noticed from people who have a reason
For there is no man who can take my sins away

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Ocean

The life that it gives you
The soul that it puts in you
The meaning of life that it shows you
The thing that awakens your heart
The deep cleansing it gives you
The love that it puts in your bones
The feeling to make you feel young again
It is the love of the Ocean that gives you these things
The current that make you live
The waves that make you sleep

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Patience

Be patient and let the sunrise
Be patient and let the sun die
Patience is what everyone needs
Patience is what will make you happy
Patience is what will make your days longer
Patience is what will make your lives be at peace
Patience is what will make your thoughts so much clear
Patience will save you so much trouble
Patience will make you relax and take ease
Patience will have an effect so good
That no one ever thought could
Be patient and let the sunrise
Be patient and let the sunset

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Poetry Misses Me

Just last night I got a call
It was poetry saying please come home
I replied back that I am retired and done
It said please, please come back
I miss my king
I miss my champ
I miss my poet that flows like the ocean
I said I would come back but it would take one thing
To have this poem published and live my richest dreams
Poetry replied back
Poetry said give me 3 days and you will be the kings of kings
Now look at us now me and poetry back at it again
Can't anything stand in our way no man, no woman, and no thing
Take my poem to the heart and realize me and poetry are one
That this is my destiny to be the king of kings
The champ of champs

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Revenge

I sit here
With hate and anger
Wondering and pondering among the stars
To tell me what to do
An how to do it
But still I sit here
Wanting revenge on all
All who hurt me
Countless times
I will get them
One way or another
I will be successful
Stop me if you can it wont help

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Routine

I wake up
I go to sleep
I eat
I eat
I sing
I dance
I breathe
I sneeze
I cough
I curse
I have sex
I wake up
I go to sleep

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Run

Run poor child
Run from your fears
Run from the people
That makes you do bad things
Run and don't look back
For when you do u will turn to stone
Still wanting to go back
Listen to my voice
Follow it get away
You don't deserve your life
So escape what are you waiting for
Don't be bound to this evil
You are the bright light that guides
The diamond that will never break
You will be free
You will be successful
You will have a normal life

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She Changed Me

My life, My life, My life
It has changed
Changed because of a special person
She is my girl, my lover, and my wife to be
Her love has made me finally happy
Her love has made me open my eyes and except life
Her love has made me the luckiest person in the world
Her love makes me smile
Her love makes life full of great hopes
With out her I couldn't have stopped smoking
With out her I couldn't have stopped drinking
With out her I couldn't of stopped being evil
With out her I couldn't have been happy
With out her I couldn't have been so lucky
I am glad to be with her
I am glad to be able to love her
I thank her so much, for she has saved my life
Thank you Christina
I love you

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Students Of Life

I want to fly
Fly higher then no man or woman has ever tried
To see heights at a new surprise
To dig deep from the ground
To rise and never fall down
To think higher, faster, better then the average man
To see things people don't want you to see
Look past the shadows of a person
To see whats really inside
Love, hate, anger, confidence it want be a surprise
To be better than life itself
To teach those who knows nothing of you
Teach the education of being free not held to nothing
I am the teacher who taught how it feels to not knowing anything it all
We are all students searching and trying to figure out and get the finer things in
life
We are human

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The Day I Lost My Emotions

The day i lost my emotions
I walked out the hospital turned my head and Boom
A man shot in the head
Blood and brains splattered all over my face
I had no tears
I had no fear
All i did was stare
Stare at the empty corpse that now laid flat on the pavement
The burning flesh the emptiness
I walked and walked
wondering what this man has did
Was it really worth the death
I was only the age 6
The blood and brains didn't make me sick
It was just the fact that this man is now dead
Dead because he refused to give up his money
And that was the day
I lost my emotions

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The Past

I had a rough child hood
Being homeless with no money
I lived in a box with 4 brothers to share
An 2 sisters an a mother
It was not comfortable to share
We finally got an apartment from my brother's shares
They hustled and grinded to be treated fair
We finally got enough money to move out the hood
But our life was still misunderstood
My family tried hard not to get me in the business
But something kept telling not to listen what they said
I was wrong I should have listened
Now I'm stuck with the past
My record will follow me year after year
Just waiting to unleash at the peak of my career
When that day come I will not become poor
But a hustler and a trapper like my brothers before

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Why Am I So Evil?

Why am I so evil?
Is it because of bad things I do to others?
Is it because I curse
Is it because I have sex
Is it because I smoke weed?
Why am I so evil?
Was I born to be evil?
Or is it just a route I decided to take
Do I do evil because everyone else does it?
Or is it something I love to do
Do I like seeing people get hurt?
Or is it because am really the only one hurt?
Why am I so evil?

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Why I Write Poetry

I write poetry
To breath
To breathe the air of life around me
That replenishes my soul
To see
To see what is deep inside me
To become a man
To vision
To vision the inner beauty
Of others around me
To feel
To feel all the love from others

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With Out You

With out you I m lonely
And don't know what to do
I sit here and cry and wait for your return
These feeling have been here for so long
That's why it was time for me to write this poem
With out you I m sick
And don't know what to do
Start to feel hurt asking where are you.
But I know you will come back
Cause I told you how I feel
Now how do you feel?

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You Cheated

You cheated on me
You broke my heart
All I wanted to do is kill myself
I thought things were going good
I guess I was wrong
Now are you happy that that man did you wrong
You got what you deserved
There aint no thinking about what you did
I provided you with the world
There aint no lie about it
Ask the people around us they would say you screwed up
I gave you everything you dreamed about
Now you gone suffer without me
Pretty soon you gone realize the mistake you made
There want be no crawling back
No matter what you say
No matter what you do
You're done good bye
Go back to that other dude

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