**Bittersweet Release**

**September 16, 2017**

The saddest embrace you've ever seen

When they were torn away

Though he cared for her, she cared more

And so it is to this day

After the game, a victory

It was just the two of them

But she couldn't find the words to speak

So time was lost again

At least it wasn't like last time

When he left in awful haste

Toward the red-haired girl on the one-way street

Who'd earned his lovely gaze

But in the end, there was little doubt

That his care for her was strong

His shirt was soaked through from marching all night

But the embrace was not a minute too long

They held each other, tight and sure

She wondered when it would cease

And hoped that what she felt would be heard

'Til their bittersweet release

**Echo of Silence**

**October 20, 2017**

Memories echoing
Through the chambers of my heart
Silently remembering
Trying not to fall apart...

I remember it so clearly
The night I once returned
Finding nothing worth holding to
Said, let this tie be burned

The poet said that love is vain
I see why he said it now
Oh I loathe you, earthly pain!
You've dragged me so far down.

I reach and retreat the last second
Knowing well how it will end
The silence 'cept for my beating heart
Because I just want my best friend

I want him to be the one for me
I want it to end in bliss
I've saved my heart for someone who's worth it
And I've saved my first kiss--

I thought you were the one!
I thought you would be mine!
I thought you'd see me the same way!
Because of you, I'm losing my mind!!!

Memories echoing
Through the chambers of my heart
Silently remembering
Trying not to fall apart...

And yet the silence coming back to me
Drives me to my knees
I can't take the quiet much longer
Will someone love me
Please

**Loneliness**

**October 20, 2017**

It's been a month since she last talked to you
She said she needed a break
You know she still feels all alone
That you're leaving her in your wake

But times get busy, life gets hard
And you have so much to do
She ignores your silence and struggles on
You wonder when she will be through

The silence carries on
You've forgotten for a while
The way you used to talk
And how she beamed her silly smiles

Even when she was lonely
And saw herself with hate
There was nothing you could do
Except to give your thoughts and wait

Now you're waiting still
Thoughts of her from time to time
Drifting in and out
Through the corners of your mind

Oh, but there's the red-haired girl!
The moment you've been waiting for!
Finally, at the end of the day
Gentlemanly holding the door.

She softly passes you by
Maybe says a word or two
But now you feel the loneliness
That your other friend is going through.

**Transformation**

**October 21, 2017**

The light has turned on
The candle has been lit
Perhaps she's moved on
Maybe she's let go of him

She's prayed for peace inside
And she's whispered honest words
Now something new is in her eyes
Only the slightest hint of hurt

She's never been optimistic
But the time has finally come
Through rough times, always artistic
Blossoming quickly, she becomes the one

Who's conquering the giants
Of pain and heartache
Through the meditative silence
She's finally made a break

Move, move, move
There is something more for you
Run, run, run
Perhaps he needs you, too

Rise, rise, rise
From the ashes on the floor
Turn, turn, turn
The handle on that final door

Sing, sing, sing
Until the pain is finally gone
Cry, cry, cry
Pour it out until the dawn

Friend, friend, friend
Is not such a bad word after all
Love, love, love
Is still itself, no matter how small

What is this transformation
That no man can clearly see?
Her heart's still in formation
Growing as she's on her knees.

**Sorrows Unwept**

**November 25, 2017**

Am I being too clingy?

May I ask where you are?

Am I actually healed?

Or are these wounds not yet scars?

Do they still burn inside

Like flames catching grass?

Do I still turn and hide

In my dreams of the past?

It's over, it's gone

He never loved you!

I thought you let go

I thought you were through!

Seems no scars are painless

Even when left alone

Why does my heart chase him

So far, far from home?

Listen, my self

Are you so blind?

You've returned to the deepest

Darkest corners of your mind

Where you hid, locked away

These passions and fears

And now try your hardest

To hold back the tears

Perhaps it'd be better

If you never realized

That this love was much deeper

That his love was your prize

Now the pain is just dull

Distantly ringing

There's grayness in your words

No joy in your singing

Sleep for this night

And try to forget

All the unreturned letters

And your sorrows unwept.