**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.