

Poetry Series

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I love writing. Ive written many songs that rascal flats has actually edited and then he publishes them. Writing is a great stress reliever. Never give up when the going gets tough, cause the tough gets harder. Remember that you can never fail when you write. Just write what you're feeling.

For Good

I've heard it said
That people come into our lives for a reason
Bringing something we must learn
And we are led
To those who help us most to grow
If we let them
And we help them in return
Well, I don't know if I believe that's true
But I know I'm who I am today
Because I knew you...

Like a comet pulled from orbit
As it passes a sun
Like a stream that meets a boulder
Halfway through the wood
Who can say if I've been changed for the better?
But because I knew you
I have been changed for good

It well may be
That we will never meet again
In this lifetime
So let me say before we part
So much of me
Is made of what I learned from you
You'll be with me
Like a handprint on my heart
And now whatever way our stories end
I know you have re-written mine
By being my friend...

Like a ship blown from its mooring
By a wind off the sea
Like a seed dropped by a skybird
In a distant wood
Who can say if I've been changed for the better?
But because I knew you
I have been changed for good

And just to clear the air
I ask forgiveness
For the things I've done you blame me for
But then, I guess we know
There's blame to share
And none of it seems to matter anymore

Like a comet pulled from orbit
As it passes a sun
Like a stream that meets a boulder
Halfway through the wood

Like a ship blown from its mooring
By a wind off the sea
Like a seed dropped by a bird in the wood

Who can say if I've been
Changed for the better?
I do believe I have been
Changed for the better

Because I knew you...
I have been changed for good...

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I Am From

I am from where rolling waves crash across the sandy hoof-printed beach. Where wild is never tamed, never touched. Where the sun tans your skin so dark.

Where people come most every day, where I must forever stay.

I am from the wilderness, the fresh plant smell on the windy breeze. The hiking trails in the Appalachians. Where the smooth river twists and bends, this is where my heart is.

I am from the dark blue sky on a cold winter night. Where the stars twinkle bright above. This is the place I forever love.

I am from camping outside on cool summer nights. Catching lightning bugs in a clear glass jar. Watching the sunset fade to black, eating from a brown paper sack.

I am from the gymnasium, where the swish of the ball means success. Where I shall forever play my best.

I'm from, "Play hard, " and "do your best." From, "If you try, you will succeed." I'm from, "Failure is not an option."

I am from loud noises and little giggles. From toys lain scattered around the house. From birds up high in a nest, this is the place that I love best.

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The Warrior Who Didn'T Give Up

We think of others in times before us,
maybe days ago or many years after.
Our lives pass like a ticking bomb,
not realizing the here or after.
Passing the problems with a shrug,
we never think about the future.

The future is an illusion;
it disappears.
It never reveals the path it will take.
We can change it with just a smile or a hug
or we can pass on the problems with a shrug.
We can glance about and say, "Not me, "
or we can choose to conquer this world one day.

The past cannot be changed;
never altered.
The future, however, can be decided.
You can choose to step up to the plate;
or back down when called upon.
You can lead a world-changing life,
or you can choose to not let your voice be heard.

Martin Luther King Junior fought for what he believed in;
he fought for justice for all.
He never gave up when his life was threatened;
never gave up when he was at a loss.
In my mind and heart, he conquered the world.
He made people think twice about treatment of blacks.
In my heart and mind, he was a warrior;
he had the ultimate courage and determination.

Martin Luther King Junior changed the world;
his voice was heard all over.
His thoughts of justice were provoked;
they were listened to and called upon.
In my eyes he's a hero;
a warrior who didn't give up.

