

Poetry Series

**Whispering Rose**  
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## Whispering Rose(14/10/1990)

'A poet is, before anything else, a person who is passionately in love with language.'

W. H. Auden

## **\*algeria\* My Home**

I live here where it happened  
Revolution burst from these mountains  
Rage took over the men  
As the enemy took our land  
The injustice of the world  
Said all the unspoken words  
They fought for over a century  
So we can at last be free  
They lost over a million soul  
And could've lost a million more  
If it means freedom  
If it means honour  
ALGERIA, my home, the land of men  
Who have fought hand in hand  
We shall rise once again

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I've broke my own heart  
Let's just hope the decision was right  
I thought I fell in love before  
But this was so much more  
I never though it would be this way  
Never thought i would be the one to walk away  
Why did we listen to that song?  
And made it our own  
You asked me to take you to my heart  
But you're already there and I can't get you out  
Will I be that brave?  
And tell you how I really feel  
Or will I take it to the grave  
And never know how it would've been  
I'm scared  
Holding a heart full of fear  
I'm loved  
But wishing I never knew how it feels  
I keep thinking of the next lie  
What can I say to justify  
Why I left without saying a word  
Even though you meant the world  
I stood in the rain  
Hoping it would wash away the pain  
But tears filled my eyes  
Before I could even realize  
Now I'm sitting here thinking of you  
Wondering whether any of it was true  
I used to cry  
When we say good bye  
I never said I miss you, I was too shy  
Now I miss you too much that my eyes can't dry

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# A Dead Man

He walks among us  
But he's not one of us  
He's someone we love but didn't protect  
From all the secrets he kept  
He's someone we didn't understand but always judged  
We have pushed him to the edge  
The day came and he walked away  
There was nothing that could make him stay  
Years and years passed before I could see him again  
He came home a different man  
He has become a scattered soul  
And yet he's still walking tall  
It's been so long and he's now fading away  
And still there's nothing we can do to make him stay  
We can only say  
Forgive us, we didn't help you  
We always thought there was nothing we can do  
Forgive us, we often forgot to ask how you were  
Now we know it wasn't fair  
Go back to where you come from  
This is no longer your home  
You've chosen this road  
Suffer in silence, suffer alone  
I can't ease the pain  
Nor take it all away  
I don't want to watch you die  
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unfinished but abandoned

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# A New Day

Lonely as the cloud in the sky  
Everything makes me cry  
Tears that destroy sorrow  
And set the path for tomorrow  
A day when the sky is blue  
When everything is new  
With a smile i welcome the new day  
A day that brings hope along the way

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# A New Start

Run away and don't look back  
Be strong and get back on track  
Hold yourself together  
Make yourself better  
Bring the pieces of your heart  
For a brand new start  
Life moves on  
You can't be lost for long

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# Broken

I had from the start  
Carried a broken heart  
One which endured all grief  
And always found a way to forgive  
It's been long this way  
That I couldn't take it anymore  
I decided I should find some way  
To bring my heart together as before  
The process was exhausting and long  
But I had to stay strong  
I thought I was alone  
But many hands were reached to help  
My heart was fixed, not healed  
I realized my heart was made of glass  
It can be fixed but never to be the same

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# Death Bed

I see them everynight  
those ghosts in white  
but i see no light  
there supposed to be a light  
they call my name  
they reach for my hand  
they show me my new home

every bone aches  
every step is a challenge  
i lay in a million little pieces  
i lay as a soul fracture  
my body is a burden  
i'm bleeding pain  
and every night they call me  
to the land of the dead  
my last destination  
my grave

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# Depression

In a fraction of a moment  
Dreams fall to dust  
Role models disappear  
Values conveniently alter  
Doubts replace ideas  
The vulnerable melt into the fire  
And demons rise to rule

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# Disappear

Between the expectations  
And the reality of actions  
Across the thorns of dreams  
And the traps of hope  
We crash into reality  
Sink along with the dream  
Never born, Never lived, We disappear  
And as only a gravestone, we remain, for eternity

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## Falling & Standing

My dreams have been shattered  
I'm only pieces hardly gathered  
Crushed with many expectations  
Fixed with my own determination  
The smile doesn't escape my face  
My wound can't be traced  
The bottom is where I crashed  
The sky is where I belong  
I'll shine among the stars  
I'll stand again on my feet  
I don't accept being this weak

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# Family

They know who I am  
They show the best in me  
They hold me together  
They make my life better  
Whenever I fall, they are my ground  
They hold me close, never let me down  
They're everything I want to be  
My big strong family

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# Fever

Oh Mother I wish you knew  
How much I long to make you  
And Father proud  
I wish you heard the tears and prayers  
I wish you had prayed for me enough  
But I'm doomed for failure mother  
It's an almost permanent fever I suffer  
Make it go away, as you always did  
Heal me from the pain, that for so long, I hid  
The world is frozen to the bone  
And I suffer this fever alone

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# For No Reason

I loved you for no reason  
Sometimes it had no meaning  
I could see no one but you  
And I knew my love was true  
You were there but not for me  
And I left them all to be with you  
They said let go  
But my heart couldn't say so  
I looked for you everywhere  
But they said you were far away  
With a broken heart I pray  
To see you standing over there  
Telling me that you love me as well

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# Free

I see what you're doing  
I can't follow where you're going  
I will lead my own way  
I will no longer, here, stay  
I'll be the writer of my book  
I'll be the voice of my belief  
I will not be trapped in your dreams  
I might fail, I will cry  
but you'll never see me broken  
I'll stand, once again I'll try  
when I succeed, I'll tell you what I did  
I'll share with you my joy  
because that you can't destroy  
can't you see, I'm now free  
and I will always be

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# I Hate...

I hate, crying in silence  
And being lonely with people's presence  
I hate standing in darkness  
And waiting for happiness  
I hate not having a friend  
And always coming second  
I hate trying to be the best  
And always thinking of what should be next  
I hate having to choose between two  
And making a decision too  
I hate the promises made to be broken  
And the secrets that can never be spoken  
I hate changing to someone I don't know  
And people telling me what to do  
I hate the words I can't say  
And when I have to walk away

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# I Know But I Try

I try to forget  
When you are not around I try to live  
I know  
Soon you are going to leave  
I try to ignore  
That what I am feeling is real  
I know  
One day it's going to disappear  
I try to fake  
The smile when you look at me  
I know  
There is a tear deep inside of me  
I try to remember  
Everything you say and do  
I know  
You can't be true  
I try to be  
The person you once loved  
I know  
Some way we, both, have changed  
I try to pretend  
That your heart is mine  
I know  
It hurts to think otherwise

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# In The Way Out

In the way out, we hurt and we get hurt  
In the way out many feelings tear us apart  
The last thing we say is good bye  
Although we wish we could one more time try  
The ground is falling beneath  
And we just can't breath  
But we walk away  
Even though we pray  
Something would hold us back  
Bring the tear, bring the laugh  
Broken hearts we hold  
Empty promises we told  
But eventually we move on  
If we couldn't we remain strong  
For the way out of love  
For some can never be found

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# Lonely

Lonely as I sit here  
Drowning in the ocean of my own tears  
Thinking of the future near  
Looking at dreams shattered by fear  
Wondering how being safe again feels  
Wondering when the wound would heal  
When the scars would finally disappear  
A hundred words won't say how I feel  
A thousand lies won't make it real  
It's all mine  
The heart that broke  
The tears that still drop  
The smile that faded  
And the eyes that hated  
But still I try ...  
To fight before time passes by

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# Look For Me

Look for me, wherever you go  
Look for me, in every place you know  
I'm the laugh that makes your face glow  
I'm the tear that you're too stubborn to show  
I'm the hope that lightens your day  
And the dream that hunts your night  
I'm the eyes that see you through  
And the heart that will always carry you  
Look for me wherever you go  
Because I'll be waiting until you do  
And I'll be looking for you too

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# Memories

Oceans as wide as the sky  
Bring along with every tide  
Memories of everything I lost  
As if I forgot  
The smile on my face, the tear in my eye  
Whenever saying goodbye  
The burning pain in my heart when being apart  
Memories of who I was  
What I've achieved, what've lost  
As if I ever forgot  
The smile on my face, the tear in my eye  
When we say "hi"  
The joy of my heart  
When setting for a new start

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# Once Young, Now Old

I face myself in the mirror  
Trying to escape the horror  
That caused my hair to be grey  
Was it the sorrows of every night and every day?  
Or the burden of things I couldn't say

I face myself in the mirror  
Trying to escape the horror  
That caused, in my eyes, that hidden tear  
Was it the unachieved goals hunted by fear  
Or the secrets I was left to seal

I face myself in the mirror  
Trying to escape the horror  
That left me with ruins of a smile  
And prevented me from climbing any higher

I face myself in the mirror  
Trying to escape the horror  
Of the ghost I see  
Empty  
Not willing to breath anymore  
There's nothing to live for

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# Seize The Day

Wake up, be who you are  
Work to deserve what you have  
Hope lies within those who believe  
That today we should live  
Yesterday is already gone  
Tomorrow is not written in stone  
If we want, we can change  
Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow

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# The Choice

I'm on the cross roads  
I have to choose  
there are so many doors  
I don't want to loose  
they say I have to choose an unwalked path  
They say I have to leave trail  
And I say till the last breath  
I just don't want to fail  
I finally made a choice  
I choose to fight all my battles  
And sometimes admit my mistakes  
I choose not to give up on my dream  
No matter how far it may seem  
I choose, along the way to smile  
And even let my tear, on my face, shine  
I choose to love with all my heart  
Even if it hurts when being apart  
I choose to be who I am  
And for that I do all I can  
I choose my way  
I choose everyday  
And always hoping i wouldn't regret  
My choice

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# The Game

Lost in a life of no aim  
Cursing the day you came  
Laughing at tears of a game  
The one we played with no shame  
In which you got the highest score  
Causing the deepest burn  
In a heart already torn  
You enjoyed a victory  
That didn't last for long  
And caused me misery  
That only made me strong  
And showed me I was wrong  
In believing the cover  
And forgetting you're only a liar  
For it has been nothing but a game  
And still we can never be the same

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# The Pain

How can i tell you about my pain  
When all i do is walking through the rain  
So no one knows I'm crying  
And yet I'm still trying  
To reach your dreams not mine  
And walk across the line  
The one that separates me from the rest  
The one that made you think I might be the best  
How can I tell you about the pain I hold?  
For it was caused by those I once loved  
Don't ask me about my pain  
For all my talk would be in vain  
Don't separate me from the rest  
For I'm no best  
I am like them all  
Just trying to stand tall

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# The Return

Along with my heart you took my breath  
And i was left for death  
To replace your absence  
Or just shorten the distance  
That took us ways apart  
And caused you to break my heart  
My tears left track  
To help you come back  
I'll be here where i can be found  
Waiting for your return

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# The Storm

When the storm comes around  
Taking those who have no one to hold  
I was lonely and scared  
The storm thought I deserved  
To be taken away  
From where I wanted to stay  
I walked along with the storm  
For sometime I was strong  
And yet I wanted to go back  
To the life I once had  
I was brought by the storm  
To what used to be my home  
But my home had changed when I was gone  
It's now somewhere I don't belong  
Now I want again to be taken by the storm  
For it has become my home

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# They Noticed

I was looking at all of them  
Some holding hands and others saying a poem  
And there she set under a big tree  
Reading her book and feeling free  
There was a peaceful calm  
But it all goes away once they come  
She asked for some respect  
But that's what she shouldn't expect  
He, then, approached and apologized  
She didn't care and thought they should've realized  
It was her talks and laughs  
Which made him wish it would last  
It was his sense and kindness  
Which made her restless?  
They noticed that they were so much in love  
So how can they now leave them alone?  
I stood there watching them together  
He held her hand and said we'll stay for ever  
She wanted to cry because she knew it was a lie  
And yet she smiled and said good bye  
Each one of them went in a different way  
But they didn't know that their hearts would stay  
Tears in her little eyes didn't dry  
But she hid them and decided to try  
He pretended not to care  
But his heart was tearing apart for being sad  
It was hard  
But they both tried  
Days and nights passed by  
They thought it would soon fade away  
On the cross roads they met  
But not much was said  
Tears and laughter, Sadness and joy  
Made them realize what's real  
The two were seen  
Happier than they have never been  
They said it's not worth fighting for  
But they proved them wrong  
And love survived once more

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# To My Best Friend

I've never known a friend like you  
Nor will I ever do  
I will never forget  
The times we smiled, nor the ones we cried  
you stood beside me when most people didn't  
you believed in me when they all said i couldn't  
When i fell, you were there  
Holding my hand, helping me stand  
Our memories will never fade  
Nor will the promises we made

you're the BEST FRIEND i've ever had

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To the best friends i've ever had Farah, Maria, Halima  
i couldn't have possibly done anything without you girls  
love you all

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# Waiting

Waiting for the sun to rise  
For the day to bring another surprise  
Waiting for my life to start  
Carrying a weak torn heart  
So much time I've wasted  
For so long I've waited  
For words to be said  
For those who left to come back  
I'm so tired waiting  
That I'm going to start chasing  
Dreams that once lived inside  
I'm no longer going to hide

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# We Care In Silence

People are deaf  
they cover their ears for not to hear  
the taken life  
struggling to survive  
People are blind  
They only see one side  
People are empty  
They don't have the heart to pity  
What others suffer  
What their smiles cover  
Of wounds that will not easily heal  
Of scars that will never disappear  
may be we do care about what happens in the world  
but still, we never say a word  
we care in silence  
our silence murders all innocence

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