

THE HOLE

THE OLD WOMAN FINALLY CAUGHT ME
SNEAKING AROUND THE CAVE
HER HAIR LOOKED JUST LIKE BARBED WIRE, BOYS,
SMILED JUST LIKE THE GRAVE

SHE ASKED ME "COULD I STAY AWHILE"
I SAID "I BELIEVE I'D BETTER GO
SHE SLID HER ARM AROUND MY NECK
AND SWEETLY WHISPERED "NO."

IT'S COLD AND DARK AND LONELY HERE
AS SOON ENOUGH YOU'LL SEE
I'M ALSO GLAD YOU STUMBLED IN
I'VE BEEN CRAVIN' COMPANY

CANNOT STAY TOO LONG YOU KNOW
I'VE LEFT SOME FRIENDS AT HOME
SHE SAID, "DON'T YA FRET ABOUT YOUR FRIENDS,
DONW HERE WE'RE ALL ALONE."

"WHAT ABOUT MY MOTHER
I CAN'T JUST LEAVE HER THERE TO MOURN"
"YOU DON'T HAVE TO THINK ABOUT HER
JUST FORGET YOU WERE EVER BORN"

I'LL DISAPPOINT MY FATHER
HE WORKED SO HARD FOR ME
IF YOU HAVE TO PAY YOUR FATHER BACK
JUST SEND HIM SOME MISERY

"BUT I'LL MISS," I SAID, "A GIRL I KNOW
I CAN'T JUST LEAVE HER THERE TO PINE."

"SHE'S STILL GOT PLENTY OF MEN TO GO
I'M SURE SHE'LL DO JUST FINE"

"WHAT ABOUT MY LITTLE BOY"

SHE SAID, "HE'S JUST LIKE YOU
LET A FEW SHORT YEARS ROLL BY
AND HE'LL END UP DOWN HERE TOO."

WHEN HER PALE GREEN EYES BEGAN TO GLOW
SHE PLACED HER HAND ON MINE
SHE SMILED AND SAID, "DON'T WORRY;
YOU'LL GET USED TO ME IN TIME."

AS HER COLD TONGUE FLICKERED TOWARD MY THROAT
I SPUN MYSELF AROUND
I MADE A DIVE FOR THE PASSAGEWAY
BUT THE WALLS CAME TUMBLIN' DOWN

AND NOW EYES WERE THE ONLY LIGHT
MY FEVERED BRAIN COULD SEE
I TORE MYSELF AWAY FROM THEM
AND I FELL DOWN TO MY KNEES

I'VE COME TOO FAR, I CAN'T GET BACK
I BESEECHED ALL THE GODS OF MEN
FAME AND FORTUNE JUST LAUGHED AT ME
AND I WAS SILENCED ONCE AGAIN

AND THEN A WHISPER DEEP WITHIN
THE GRACE OF GOD OF LOVE
AND I LIFTED MY FACE THROUGH THE TEARS
AND I SAW LIGHT FALL FROM ABOVE

I HURL MYSELF INTO THE WALL
I RIPPED AND CLAWED MY WAY
THROUGH THE STINKIN CLININ' LOAM
BACK THROUGH THE LIGHT OF DAY.

I CRAWLED OUT INTO THE WIND AGAIN
WITH THE SKY UPON MY FACE
I HEARD THE EARTH SIGH PATIENTLY
AS IT SLID BACK INTO PLACE

SO NOW I'M BACK AMONG THE ONES I LOVE
AND I'M LOVED BY THEM IN TURN
IT'S ONLY ON THE DARKEST NIGHT
THAT GREEN-EYED MEMORY BURNS

SO WALK, MY FRIENDS, IN THE LIGHT OF DAY
DON'T GO SNEAKIN' 'ROUND NO HOLES
THERE JUST MIGHT BE SOMETHIN' DOWN THERE
WANTS TO GOBBLE UP YOUR SOUL

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