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Your life will never be forgotten and will always live deep within our Hearts

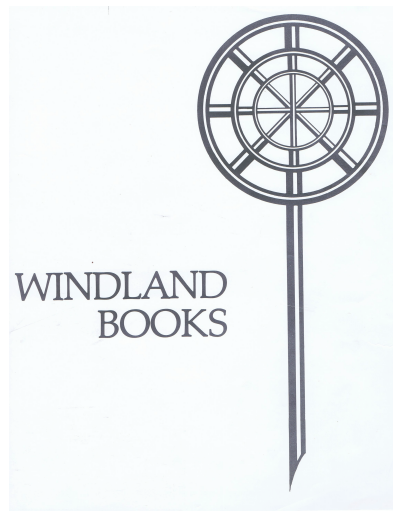
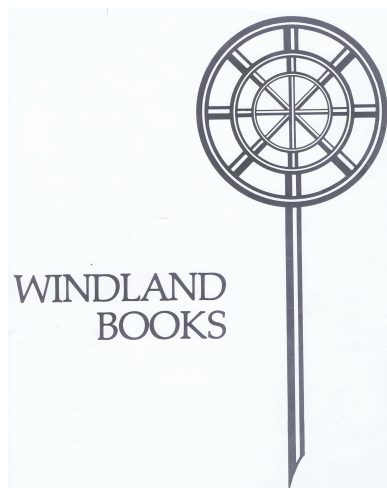


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I'VE FALLEN

I've fallen deep within the darkness

I own my life

I own my dreams

I own my own visions

Vision's of you

I've fallen deep into your heart

I own the love

I own the hurt

I own my own feelings

Feelings of you

I've fallen deep into the light

I own my heart

I own my emotion

I own my own soul

Giving love for only you



I DON'T HAVE IT

*I don't have a life
I didn't reach for you
I didn't have the light*

*I am missing all those things that are right
I am lonely missing part of you
I am wishing that you loved me more*

*I am waiting,
Waiting for all that you are
I am waiting,
Waiting for love from afar*

*I am stranded looking for all that is near
I am wishing for you to save me
I am waiting for all that means*

*I am waiting,
Waiting for the flight
I am waiting for the dove,
Waiting for your love*

*I don't have a life
I didn't reach for you
I didn't have the night*



I WANT TO BUILD YOU A HOME

*A place to come to
A place to share time with you
A place to protect your space
A place to let you live too*

*I look across at you
I look and see your smile
I look and see your pain
I look across and see you cry*

*In open spaces you live
In open places you breathe
In open eyes you see
In open eyes you live*

*I didn't mean to stop you
I didn't know you the same
I didn't see your heart
I didn't mean to leave you*

*A place to go when you're alone
A place to travel to believe in
A place to warm your heart in
A place to help you
Know that you are not alone.*



UNDERSTAND

*I understand now what
I did to our relationship
our lives or moments.*

*I accept the fate
that has happened
and the results of it.*

*What I want more
than anything else
is not to upset you
the balance in your life
relationships in your life.*

*But what would love to be
if you can forgive me
in your heart and soul
and mine is yours to see.*

*I wish to see my son again
I will never say
or do anything to disrespect you
or create a hardship for you.*

*I would just love to see you
and those I love
and not wish to change
the life you live now.*



I NEVER

*I never thought about
how much you meant to me
until the day you were gone.*

*I never know what you went through,
the feeling you held deep within,
deep and far from your words.*

*You should have told me
what your life was about,
not just comments,
but events that frightened you.*

*I would have come
through for you
and have understood
at some point in our lives*

*I would have saved you
if I knew what you feared
I could have protected you,
if you have believed in me
and let me in.*



WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU

*It was so obvious
this wall you built
constructed in a short time
constructed so high
but for what is your reason,
I am sure I dare not ask
for the reasons why.*

*Piercing the air as you
are walking pass me,
If I have said nothing,
then nothing would be said
not a word, not a sound
not a nod of my head*

*I dare not ask what has
built this wall,
but for the fear
of it crashing down
pushing you by me*

*I've let you infect me
you took me out
of the darkness
I've let you disrupt
my dreams my love
for the beautiful things
I have left.*



TONIGHT

*Tonight I stop bleeding
Stop feeling the pain inflicted
By your callous look
Your lack of words and heart*

*Tonight I stop feeling
Stop giving you my love,
My attention, my worth
My blind affection*

*Tonight you will not see me
You will no longer feel me
The compassion of my gift
The support I have given*

*Tonight your lack of affection
Your missed opportunities
Will not over shadow the
Spark of life I've given freely.*

*Tonight was the last of moments
That I let you toss a side
The words I shared
The touch of my heart and soul*

*Tonight I spend alone
Moments of pain and sorrow
Times when your absence left me empty
And are gone forever
Even when you stood in front of me.*



ALL I NEED IS YOU

*If this is all I have
It would be the only
things I had*

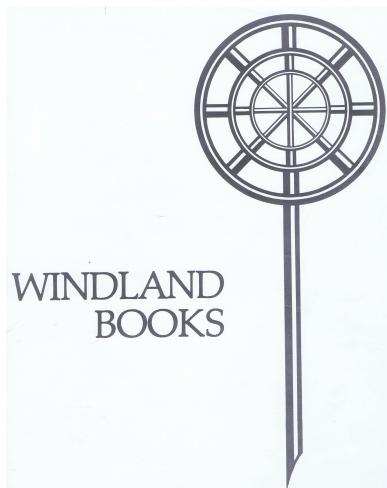
*If this is all I have
I could tell you about me
I could talk to you*

*If all I have was written
I could explain the pain
I could explain the love*

*If all I was to you
that moment you felt me
and I felt you*

*If all I had was that moment
I would tell you more
I would tell you I love you*

*I can't bring you back
The riches and jewels
that you are
If all I have is you around me
then I have the world.*



BLANK

*Standing on the edge of life
I am traveling to places
Some familiar some uncomfortable*

*Reaching for the comfort I need
Still by the fear in my gut
Trying to overcome the feeling*

*Wanting to run, to quit, to flee
My impatience for you to come
My moments that I lost my grace*

*Planning to change my plans
Changing to something familiar
Questions still plague me*

*Why am I still standing here?
Far away from you far from me
While am I still on the edge of life*



I AM A GHOST

*I am a ghost
whispering softly by you
brushing ever so slightly
listening to your love*

*I am the wind
whispering by in the light
bending the branch of a tree
touching your face so softly*

*While you are near me
alongside me gentle walking
and then slipping quietly away
so as not to be seen or heard.*

*I held back; waiting this long
waiting so long for you
your eyes open to the world
your mind open to see the light.*

*I am a ghost
whispering softly by
hardly reaching you
hardly a sound from you
a life that touched your skin*

*There are tears in your heart
When a drop of blood fell
my life spread across the sky
the last moments of you
never forgotten.*



BECAUSE OF YOU

*Because of you
I've lost myself
I raised my expectations
expecting more from you*

*Because of you
I'm still that person
giving myself to you
helping and being there
believing in you*

*Because of you
I gave up my dream
my moments of independence
not because I had too
but because I wanted you*

*Because of you
I laid down between the rails
giving up the dream
lowering my expectations
ending the love for you*



“BITCH”

*Every morning I wake up
Occasionally I look at myself
in the mirror
it's when I realize
I am not who I thought I was*

*I am sorry for you
you are insincere to those
who are were there for you*

*One man died for you
Should more?*



A QUIET MAN

*A quiet man sat and listened
And in his moment of existence
Realized that the discussion
Was about everything around him
And nothing about him*

*A quiet man sat and listened
Hearing the music
The joy of life around him
The laughter of children
But one voice was missing*

*A quiet man sat and thought
About the moments
That has passed by him
The love he shared
In moments of celebration
In moments of expression*

*A quiet man sat and thought
About the moments
He felt no touch
No word-kiss or warm embrace
That touched him.*

*A quiet man sat and thought
That in his quiet moment
He was missing one love
Moments, memories
And of all things he missed
Was a piece of his heart.*



I AM LOOKING

I'm looking for a transformation

A life evolving with you

A life changing with me

I'm looking for the warmth

A love surrounding you

A love embracing mine

I'm looking for a spirit

A power greater than us

A power that moves two

I'm looking for the one

A light to guide you

The night brings me to you



ME

*I don't know
how to engage you
help you
give you
talk to you
If you wont
recognize my presence
or acknowledge that I am here
than how will you even know
who you really are?*



BEFORE I GO

*There is time,
to explain all that is happening,
All the places I have been
and all the places,
that I wish I have seen.*

*There are feelings that are exposed
and realities that are proposed
and a simple touch of your heart,
that I have seen*

*There are movements that are played
and motions displayed
and before you know,
life has trickled away like a stream*

*There is light that shines,
on hearts and minds,
of a man and a woman
and the brightness,
of a sense of being.*

*There is a choice that is played
and when others over play,
they step over the bounds of that love
and in that moment of the day*

*There is no other,
that makes this heart and soul explode
and the moment that yours is captured,
no one other can come close*

*There is no time,
that makes a difference if life is delayed
and if there is something to show,
I just want you to know,
before it is too late, that I love you so.*



TO LIZA

*If there is a line to cross
I sit there, really a cross to bare
I sit and watch and listen*

*Normally I can block your voice
But it's so hard to do now
Because I love to hear your voice.*

*I don't want to be negative
or off pace
I want you to see me smile
and I want you to see me happy again.*

*I believe it is my joy that attracts you
I believe it is my sorrow that pushes you away.
I can't keep my door closed
all the time
to separate your presence from this life*

*It is your presence that makes me happy
When I don't see you
or hear your voice or see you smile
I am left empty
left without hope*

*It would be great to see
But when I don't see your smile
I am left empty, left without hope*

*We could be great
together as equals in life,
partners in love
and together we would make the world
a greater place to be.*



THE GUN

*Today I destroyed the hammer
That took the one life
I watched its glow as red as the fire
That burned it
I watched as it melted and fell to the Earth
I saw its last moments
And took away its power over me
I felt its burn as sparks flew and hit me
I am scared once more
But not in my heart
But upon my flesh
I have buried it
Along with the life it took from me*



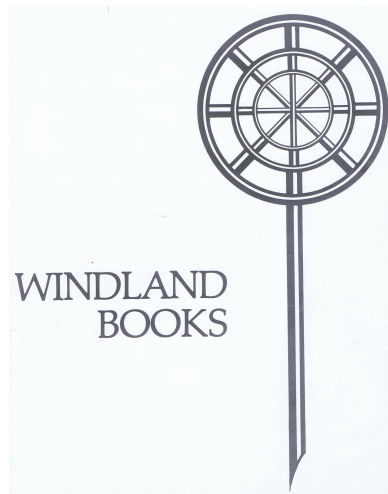
HER GRACE

*I am losing my strength
My powers to protect
My ability to hold on
It is not the life you took from me
It is not the love you grabbed from me*

*I am losing my self
My worth
My ability to hold on
It is not my life you took
It is not the spark that took the fire from me*

*I am stripped away bare
My love uncovered
My future moments lost with her
It is not her life you took
It is not her love she gave to others that is gone*

*I am hers
My life is hers
My moments are hers
It is not anything less
It is not anything more
It is not mine to keep from you no more*



I AM THANKFUL

*I am thankful
That I got to spend another night with you
You and I traveled in and out of danger
You and I experienced fear and excitement
You were just a child there
And like a child
I tried to protect you*

*I am thankful
That I got to hold you for another night
You and I spoke about our situation
You and I reasoned answers
You and I dodged the danger approaching
And like a child
I was there like you*

*I am thankful
That I got to hear your voice and talk to you
You were so expressive and directed
You led me on a journey of places
You were not afraid like I was
And like a child
I depended on you*

*I am thankful
That I got to spend one more night with you
You are my son
You are a part of my heart
You are a part of my love
And like a child's dream
I awoke and lost you*



WHEN

*When was the last time
You sat with me
When was the last time
You played with me
When was the last time
You told me you cared.*

*I was searching
Searching for your love
I was searching
For the feeling you gave me
I was searching
For the moment you left me*

*When did you tell me
Tell me you cared
When did you need me
Showed me that you are there
When did you see me
And left me in disrepair*



STONE

*There was a stone
I turned it over
And there was no magic*

*I reached to the star
And turned the sky
And there you were*

*I shot you down
Your wing spread so lightly
And I could not see*

*I fell upon the sword
And you did not feel me
And I bleed for you*

*You walked into the room
And stopped me
And then I felt you*



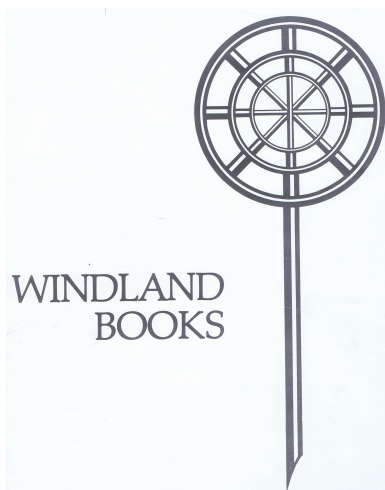
ME GONE

*I am not going to write
Some long letter when I go
I've been there and spoke
And showed you all I've known*

*What is there to say
Moments of hurt, pain, joy, love
The light of the day
Or the darkness of the night
What is there to say*

*If I tell you how much I care
If I tell you how much I dare
Dare to be who I am
Who I wanted to be*

*I have broken myself into three
Life
Love
Death
What is left of me?*



BEFORE

*I am not like I was five years before
I am not sure what or how
Or if I can close the door.*

*I am not sure who I am
Or where my struggles go
I am not like I was five years ago.*



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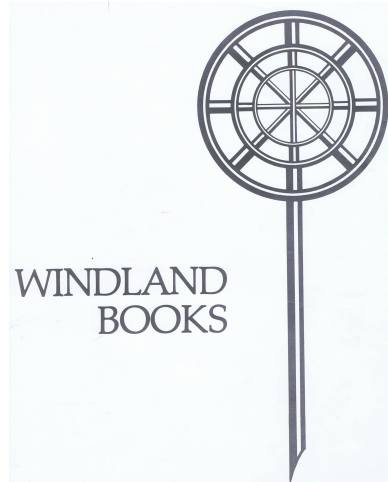
*I wonder through the darkness
Once what was the bright light
Stepping hard against the ground
Slipping on ice and gripping hard
Against the sand and what appears
To make it through*

*I watch in wonder at you
You against the waves of hardship
Once again you against time
You against my memories of others*

*I have watched you stumble
Quietly from view
I have watched you play
I have seen you smile
I have seen your love
Missed so much from your family*

*For every step I have taken
Towards you and your world
I have taken two more
In other directions, other moments
That shake the world we live in.*

*I am sure there are moments
Where you wish I was something more
Moments when you wish I was
The dream you envision
But I am the life
That you have not believed in*



GALIT

*I sat there
Listening to every word
At times though
Things are not what they seem*

*I watched you
Your smile your brightness
Your eyes so beautiful
They pierce me*

*Walking beside you
I saw your profile
And again I fell
For the love that you show*

*I listen to your laughter
When you spoke about
The child in your life
The child inside you*



MY HEARTS WITH YOU

*I have spoken, sometimes too much,
Have I shared my love to much?
Have I showed you how important you are to me?
Have I started to fall far from the stars?*

*I am not going to write silly things,
Some long history of my life
I have been so overwhelmed
with everything and not my life
Or have I?*

*Have I been so taken over
By missing you,
That I missed out on
the moments that matter today?*

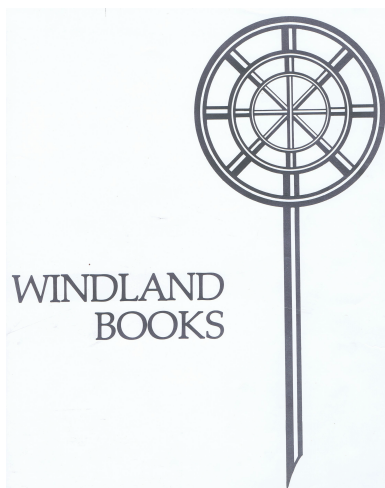
*What difference does it make
if you are not here,
to share these moments with you
spending time in a place I cannot be.*

*Where are you today?
Why can I not find or touch you?
Why is it so hard to reach out
and see you again?*

*I am not invincible to pain,
I am not strong enough to live without you
Because I lost you
lost you forever.*

*I miss you every day
and what hurts is that I cannot hold you
hear you, talk to you
or share life with you today.*

*I know that you are better now,
better where you are
better with him
better in Heaven
feeling no more pain.*

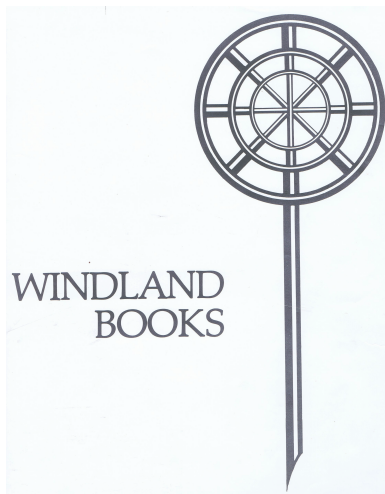


I LOVE AND MISS YOU

*I just want you today
for who you are now.
Not your past,
Not your old memories of others,
Not those ideas that you used to hold me down,
those against me in our battles
and over the past and present mistakes.*

*I just want you and none other.
Just you, who you are today,
Just you and what you want today,
Not just what you thought the past was
or what it could have been.*

*Just you today,
and no other day,
and none other but now,
and none but you,
who I lost so long ago.*



GIVE IT A NAME

*There have been so many firsts,
so many seconds,
so many endings,
so many moments that have changed,
change for what they are,
change that is and has been
and that which cannot be explained.*



I CAN

*I cannot tell you
My darkest secrets
They will take me
To places I do not want to be*

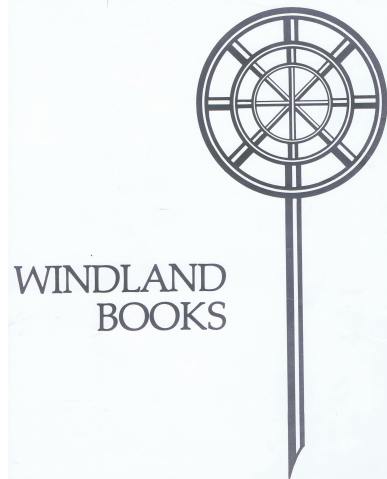
*I am joyful of places
Places you have never seen
They will show me
The places they do not want me to be*

*I have touched you
When I feel your heart beat
They can't show me
The places you don't want to be*

*I believed in you
My life changed with you
They want to believe or lift me
To places that I could not see*

*I have hope for us
For things I cannot change
They will not strip me bare
From the places we have been*

*I am with you
Even when they won't let me
They will know everything
Placing me with you, in a box again*



MISS YOU

*I miss you like I miss the moon on a dark night
Sometimes it's there,
Then some it's gone to soon.*

*I miss your smile like the morning sun on a cloudy day
Sometimes it's there
Other times it's covered by the clouds.*

*I miss you like I miss the joy I only see in pictures now
Sometimes it's here in my heart
Other times it's lost and you are gone.*

*I miss you like I miss your eyes when you looked at me
Sometimes it's your soul that I would see
Then it's gone and your life too soon.*

*I miss your voice like I miss your love every day
Sometimes it's you I hear
Sometimes talking to me and I smile listening to you.*



HOME

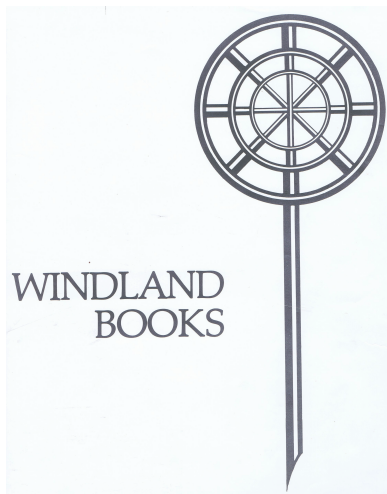
*I've built this wall
Every brick upon it
I've laid the foundation
And protected everything within it*



BEHIND YOU

*I wanted to die in front of you
Not because you acted like you understood me
Not because love had anything to do with life
But because you forgot that I loved you*

*You will never know when I am gone
That I was there behind you
Supporting your goals
The decisions you had made*



LOST YOU

*I want to be everywhere
And nowhere at the same time
My life has been a challenge
Everyday has been so difficult*

*I miss the time we had together
The moments I heard your voice
It made me feel so secure
And when I lost you
I was left insecure*

*It isn't what I asked for
It isn't what I was promised
I loved you so dearly
My life changed because of you*

*When the world lost you
It lost a treasure
And if I could reach you now
I would not miss
The opportunity to love you once again*



BUMP AND FALL

*I have been riding this roller coaster
It has its bumps and drops
Feels much like life's events
You climb and then a sudden fall*

*You are not in control of your ride
You get to follow the path laid before you
You let those that know how to fly
Take you where you want to be*

*I hear the child inside of me
The one next to me laugh and scream
Smiling not knowing what to think
My stomach is above and below me*

*I didn't climb aboard this ride on my own
I was placed there unafraid
But as the bumps and falls came
I no longer saw my life as a game*



NOT YOU

*It is not the past that I am afraid of
It is not the memories that haunt me
It isn't the love I am missing
It is not the loss of you
That breaks my soul
It is the future I am afraid of
It is the love I will miss
It is the sorrow of my loss
It is the blood that no longer flows
It is not that I hurt as much as you
It is not that I was confused as you
It is not that my heart was torn
It was not that I was born
It is that I lost you
It is that I loved you
It is that you are gone
It is that you were the one.*



ME

*I wonder what will be said
When it is all over
The times when everyone will
Ask themselves what and why
Why this had to happen*

*I wonder what will be remembered
What will be said about
My accomplishments
The time I spent creating
All the good in life
That which is within each of us*

*I wonder about those days
The things I did as a child
The memories of good things
And those that taught me
To grow and succeed*

*I wonder about you and
The child I was and how we survived
Those things you did
How my brother and sisters
Managed the brutal pain*

*I wonder what will happen
To the man who inflicted
The pain and suffering
And caused so much pain to his children*

*I wonder if God saw this
And what he would have done
If he could have stopped the man
From the things he done*

*I wonder if free will is better
Then allowing us not to choose
But then he would have to stop the lion
From trapping his food to live too.*



MINE

*This vessel is mine
You can either occupy it with me
Or stand outside and watch me
Use it as I may choose to.*

*This soul is mine
You can understand it with me
Or stand by and leave me
To believe as I wish to.*



IT MATTERS NOT

*I floated so far below you
I was reaching so high to get you
But then I wanted to escape to you*

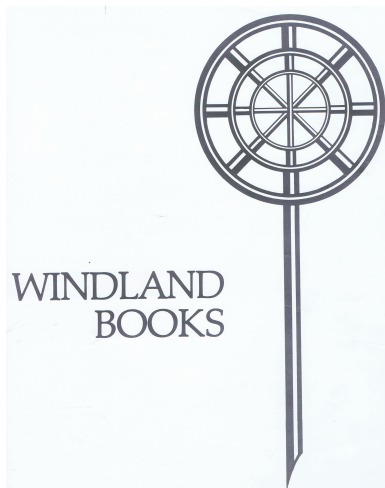
*I wanted to reach out to you
I cannot tell you from me
But I am so lost looking for you*

*I am mystified by your love
I cannot stop to help you
But I can help me through to clouds*

*I cannot follow your light
I cannot follow high above you
But I am floating through you again*

*I am something beyond me
I am nothing beyond you
But more than I want to be*

*I am left alone but one more time
I matters not
But it matters to be with you*



THE MOMENTS

*The moments stand still
when I am with you,
the time we spend together
I am blessed with your smile,
time as we knew it stopped
while millions of our thoughts
and ideas are shared
with millions more to come.*

*The moment I left
and stared into the distance,
the time changed and changed quickly,
the moments and feelings rushed by
and I wanted to go back
back to being with you,
just so that the time would slow again
and we could be together even more.*

*The moment when you opened
up to me and the moments to follow
gave me reassurance that you
would be the one to dance with,
the one that I could be me with
and not some actor
who is trying to be someone else*

*The moments stood still
when I was with you,
your heart makes mine
want to be with yours even more
beating together and
sharing as one life.*



I DID NOT STOP YOU

*I am not ashamed of the life I lead
Or the life you left behind
I did not ask you to leave
But I did not stop you from going*

*I do not know what happened then
I gave you up so easily on you
And I gave him away too
I am ashamed for losing your love*

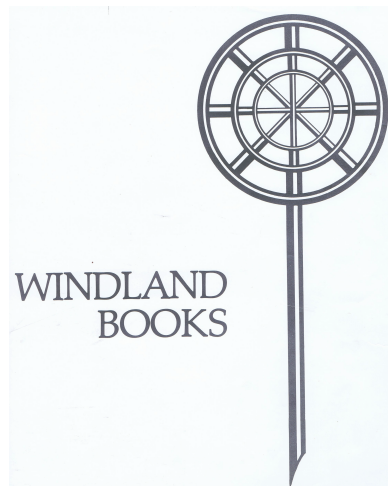
*I am no longer who or what you left
Your memory or our life has changed
I didn't see it then but I see it now
And now it is untouchable to us both*

*I am not ashamed of the life I had
Or the life you left behind
I did not ask you to leave
But I did not stop you from going*



WHY I AM HERE

*What happened to me?
There was a time
When I thought I would live forever
Then there was a time
I thought I would not live forever
There was a time when
I didn't care if I lived forever
There was a time when
I saw my first child
I thought what if I don't live forever
Then my second child was born
I thought could should live forever
Then years passed and another child came
I thought again why I should not live forever
There was a time I was lost and thought
Why again am I living forever
Then another child is born
I understood why I was here
Then another child was born
It was cemented in my mind
and heart why I was here
Then my children had children
I was grateful I was here forever
Then I lost a child and questioned again why I was here
I hurt deeply and the pain overcame me
I wondered why I was here again
Then I looked at my children's children
and remembered why I was here.*



SHORT THOUGHTS

A

*These are the moments that make you
These are the moments that can shake you
These are opportunities for you
These are lives that still love you*

B

*If you love someone enough
It doesn't matter what they have done
Where they went or what they have said
It's only your willingness to forgive that matters*

C

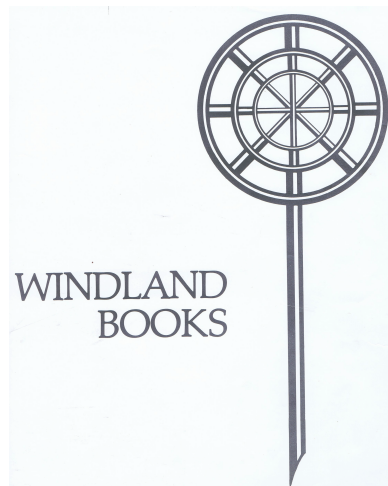
*To say I love you
Would not stop you from leaving
To say I miss you
Would not stop me from loving you more.*

D

*My wealth lies within the knowledge that I have lived
Your wealth lies within the love you share in your heart*

E

*I miss you so many times over
Your soft gentle voice
Your calling me midday
You woke the love within me*



HAUNTED

*I stopped looking for you,
When I see someone like you
I see all the images of you
Those I gave my heart to.*

*I stopped looking for you,
I saw you as unique
Different from others
Your image follows me everywhere
And haunts me still.*



MIRROR

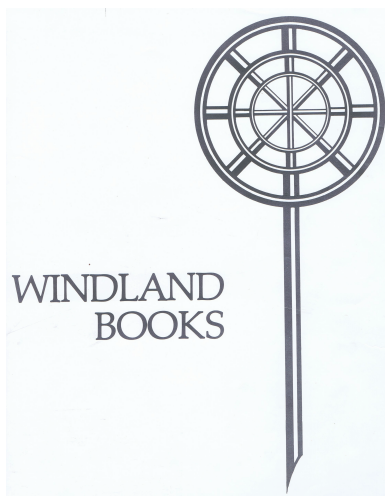
*You look so much like me
And you remind me of so
Much of what I am.
Every day you are there
I am closer to the heaven I knew
More than I have ever been before.*



POSITIVE-NEGATIVE

*When I was younger
Life seemed so simple
Today I don't remember all the moments
That shaped me
But many of them did
In a positive and negative way.*

*As I have gotten older
Life has changed me
And so did my love for others
My ideas of who I am have changed
In a positive and negative way.*



NOT YOU

*In a bed of leaves
Lay a colorful expression of you
Life before death
Love before hurt
Lying in a bed with all
The colors and lives lost*

*In a bed of pedals
Lying there quietly
White before black
Visions before tears
Lying in a bed with all
The colors and lives lost*

*This isn't about you
The statements I have made
This isn't about you rejecting me
This is about how I feel about me
About my own self*



CONFUSION

*A deepening wound
Lashes out through
My chest
My heart
My soul*

*A twisted pair of moments
That disrupts the solitude
The peace
The love
The me of who I am*



THE JOURNEYS

*I have the wrong pictures on the wall.
To places I thought I would go
These are not the places I should be going
And not the places I will end up seeing*

*I spent all this time thinking
I should be there
But instead I should have been here
I don't want an island or the ocean
But the rivers, lakes and streams
And the peace it brings me*



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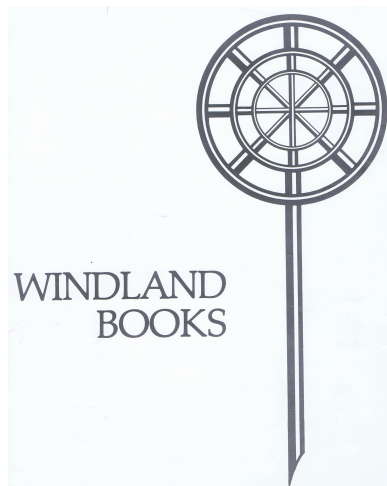
*I am not done building this home
Each new part tells a story
And adds a new memory
To the story of our lives*

*There are more places to create
More places to be discovered
And bring emotions and vision
To surface above everything else*



BORN

*It doesn't matter what part of the elements of the earth you are from,
When I can't respond to you at this moment.
I am a part of the fire, water, wind or earth.
I am a combination of everything and every element,
I am mixed and created and the end result is that I am who I end up being and
nothing more.
My elements are set and I cannot change them.
But if I should meet a match, one that I have attached to,
Then I can stabilize my eradicate behavior,
Then maybe I am renewed to a new form of matter.
One that brings a positive effect to the world and every being around me.*



SCARS

*I am covered in scars
Ones that tear into my skin
Ones that made me bleed
Ones that show my fears
Ones that made me free
Ones for each moment
Ones good for love
Ones that made my heart grow
Ones for hurts and pains unknown*

*In each part of my life
I have inflicted scars upon my skin
I didn't like the things that grew upon me
Some I had to remove
Others that I left exposed
Some scars are more of a symbol
Of my life and courage
Or my weakness of loss and death*



MY HEART

*I brought a piece of the Earth,
And in that place there are many holes,
And in one rests my soul,
And inside another is a treasure,
Left for you all to share.*



LOST HER

*Can you help me?
I am trying to find my friend
She was so beautiful
That even the sun is dimmer
Compared to her light*

*I didn't think she was perfect
I have seen her pictures before
And today this beautiful women is lost from me
She made my world feel perfect with her in it.*

