

Smiles

Sorrow lies dormant with the fading light.
Bitterness runs cold in the dying winds.

The clouds freeze

As the ice sets in

And nature sleeps

'Til the gentle thaws of spring dawn again

And life's cycle is ready to begin.

And then I remembered

That fateful smile

As vague memories stir,

Like light shimmering

Through the leaves.

And then, I knew I'd met you somewhere
before,

Somewhere in the goodness of others

I have known

In the times that have since flown.

The small, seemingly insignificant things,

The laughter and sadness

That this brings.

The counter-balancing powers of your smile

That, just for a moment,

Brings meaning into my life.

Spirals of heat rise from the soul,

Into the monotonous glare of the sun,

And I see reflected,

The dying image of

The smile on your face

As you pass me by.

And I wonder what the future holds,

And I wonder how we can

Start anew,

When every shadow

Reminds me of you . . .