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ALY LEIA WEIN

I belong with the ghost hunters now  
Because I search for you in every crowd  
And scan each being for your genteel eyes  
Yet I find that as I live I am looking for the dead  
And that the whisper of your sweet memory stains the world no more

Your ethereal soul is not incarcerated in soil  
Nor entrenched in a sarcophagus of soot  
But it has evaporated into the thick night air  
Every spark of laughter and ember of contentment  
Catalyzing its dissolution like a lover on borrowed time

I look for you in the mirror and find only a shell of myself  
I wait for you in the grass and see only a shadow of a girl  
Too scared to accept that the man she adored  
Is no longer with us  
No  
Is no longer with her

But the greatest tragedy is  
That he is still as alive as the spirits allow  
But dead in her heart  
To remain a eulogy to innocence and youth  
An elegy to summers past and parted  
A lament to ashes of happiness

From when phantom lips crossed paths  
And heavy limbs knit themselves into a tapestry  
One for the ages and two for the hearts