Life of Memory

Love and I, side by side

Fingers reach out

For a moment touch

And love passes by

Far away I must go

To a land nobody knows

And there go to die

No one knows yet

But return I will not

I must find my last sleep

Far, far from these fair shores

Where love now waits.

When battle lays me down to sleep

Last thought I have is love so sweet

I wonder how long you'll wait

As I lie in the deep

Far beneath this distant soil

With worms I do sleep

Years pass by and worms do eat

And time carries away the meat

The battle that laid me low

Now is long forgot

And over my bed does blow

Sweet winds and friends.

I wonder whose arms now hold

And will my memory keep

To go from all that's sweet

To leave but a fleeting memory

No one knows

Love, at home to another

You have gone

On spring evenings think

That I lie beneath your feet

Passed over by the world

Forgotten by life so sweet

Only a fleeting memory

To love of long ago

With love's final sleep

My end is come, forever more.

No longer in this world

Do I keep

I've finally passed along

Forever gone.