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singing sparrows a parched child runs back home

amongst the colored stones rests the sea

worn out sand embraces footsteps of the child walking

first snowfall wind whips icy waters

heavy clouds cover the shining moon

pausing—she sends her spirit high

pounding drums ignite the fire abandoned home

over the hills his cold body lies

flickering lights one knock burdens their lives

suffocating beneath the warmth of the blanket

hibernating bears emerge from slumber fresh air

their final words a fight

silent nights in-between the couple moonlight shines

unsigned birthday card on the bedroom desk

the mailman runs from a vicious poodle

Italian sausage neighborhood baseball game

footprints flat on the cement the blossom petals

keychain flickering the light house reflection memories flash from the shipwreck fallen comrades

silenced cell phone terrible host

snap peas never spoke English since i was five

seeds showering from the rocking bird feeder

thunder calls the flickering night light answers

empty playground with laughter in the air

a blind man smiles in a field full of tulips

left with no tip and a sloppy signature

fish bragging about the size of the fisherman

waves deliver smooth blue grass

amongst an ocean of stars the moon

the rain drops drift him off to sleep the old man finds his final rest

empty room – shadows crowd the wall

a memory lost in a walk among the trees

a friend gone lives forever in the mind

in the center of the stones cherry blossom

the leaves of the trees swirl with my thoughts

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