

Red Dawn

For Aurora

We've been friends for eternity;
so long in fact that my memory
is now beginning to fail me.

You've always been welcome in my home
and I've always been welcome in yours.
We need no excuse to see each other more.

I remember you were my very first friend
and together you and I would play pretend
on the playground; oh, the hours we'd spend.

We were budding writers and artists at the time,
staying up much later than our childhood bedtime
to bring to pen and paper our stories of a lifetime.

And the memories we made in Band together;
every concert, every game, every song a blur.
Our high school bond will continue to last forever.

We had lost each other's company for a while
after we graduated—our friendship's ultimate trial—
but we persevered, and our love remains worthwhile.

Look at us now, each with our own sweet little life;
you with your partner and me with my future wife,
and together we enjoy our hometown's nightlife.

Your chocolate brown eyes, lovely dyed red hair,
and warm smile frame your gentle face fair.
A woman like you is like a diamond rare.

I fondly remember every minute with you,
and I hope you feel the same way too.
When I'm with you, I'm never quite so blue.

My beautiful, sweet, creative best friend,
how I hope our relationship never ends;
for you always have my heart to mend.