Photograph

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Sixteen. You looked like a photograph. Pristine. I still recall when I saw you. And I still see you standing there. Yea I still see you. That was then. This is now. And I often wonder how I've held myself together for so long. Honor was lost. Rumors were true What came through town and wiped out everyone I knew? I won't break down. No, not this time. That faded photograph's not yours. It's mine. You knew me better than anyone. Is it me who's changed or is it everyone? But I still see you. This distance makes us closer. By my side. I Tell myself that I still see you Even though I'm broke in two ways Empty hands a different face I might as well just change my name and leave this town. I think anonymity's what's needed now. I won't be a martyr. It's too overrated. Where the hell's that picture I've always wanted painted? I may not have the answer. All I really need is time And I may never find it out But I'll be damned if I won't try. It's not so bad. There's still a few. It must have been my eyes distorting everyone I knew. I won't break down. No, Not this time. This faded photograph's not yours.