

## Songbirds

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Life read the grooves and your voice  
...across the years time travels  
Disappeared songbird I hear  
...you and my heart unravels

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...your absence then my smile erases  
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...but rarely He replaces  
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Neighbors in Woodstock  
...you played us Perry Como's cover  
Of "Just When I Needed You Most"  
...trophies aride as treasures.

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Meadowlark's oriole,  
Blackbirds and vireos  
Warblers in stereo  
All

It always saddens me,  
...yielding to gravity,  
When even one  
...sparrow falls

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