## **Even The Walls**

## Paramaecium

Faded by the hands of time Faint echoes of my childhood dream The images of days gone by Are seldom what they seem

The candlelight spells out my name The breeze from below leads the dance of the flame Suddenly no one recalls Yesterday's men have vacated the halls

And they all stay away from the home of their youth And they all say they pray but pretend with the truth I know I once was like them, old in word and deed But my youth survived and revived The ravages of need

Never has an open door Presented me itself to claim Even though the walls persist In singing out my name Even the walls know my name The candlelight flickers the dance of the flame Suddenly no one recalls All of my deeds are adorning the halls

And the way that I've lived Makes the world that I've known And I know what I give I must give on my own For it seems each room holds the key To open other doors As I make my way through the house I'm finding more and more

Folded years before this day The dust has found it's chance to fall The note from one of loving thoughts Was never read at all

Even the walls know my name The candlelight flickers the dance of the flame Suddenly no one recalls what they said Yesteryear's heroes are waking up dead

And I owe my whole life to the name on the page And I look to my wife in the midst of my age We both have lived with the thought Of travelling afar For this house is old and our home Will find us where we are