...april 11, 1993...

i leave you now to meet the midnight oak stretching new buds strong into a sky that knows no moon –

i leave you now to meet the sudden shade of ancient rocks that throw their blackness into shadows summoning me home –

i leave you now
to meet some destiny
that is not yours to know –
a curious wandering
that is mine to find
and only mine to grow –

i leave you now
before the moon is gone
from this day that is no more –
vanished until a distant moon
relinks those promises
to which our names were born.