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## Vladimir Golub

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A change in weather, a change in heart,  
Where climate influences those distraught,  
There lie sensitive souls of winter woe,  
Whose depressed conscience brought an emotional cold.

# maudlin for madeline

## Bruce Gracka

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Blissful  
wishful  
kisses up and down your spine  
the midnight air caresses  
our bare bodies till the sun rises  
earthen smells decadent delights  
appease me till your smile is gone  
replaced with just a memory  
your scent disappears  
off my sheets with each new wash  
new days grow darker  
**trying to *hold on***  
to this rope of sand  
a love so fragile  
it died in the palm of my hand