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I sold your photograph today
no more reminders of a
yellowed memory.

I wander back beyond
the withered flesh,
Returning gladly
to a brighter time.

A welcome ache
of over-worked muscles,
Replaces the tired and brittle bones.

Sunshine of faces
the crops are in--
Harvest Festival begins.

Fresh gingham
and apple pies,
Everyone danced life
Instead of staring it
into corners.

Pink smiles, warm hands
and bare rough feet.
Frollicking to fiddles
with a hound named Clyde.

Walking after the feast
Down to Shackly Creek,
We cooled our red cracked feet.

I touched your face
and laughed with you.

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