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**My sisters boyfriend looks pretty**  
ordinary Like he wears the same untied  
shoes everyday Like he only kissed  
innocently  
Like he's never held a gun

My sister thinks she's grown Cause she  
votes  
Drives everyone everywhere Has a job  
and a resume  
And  
Has a boyfriend

I am 4 months older than her  
She is my sister  
But she is a kindergartener  
When she comes home crying  
Because she thinks she ran over  
a squirrel

that poor little squirrel's family  
And she builds the worlds tiniest casket  
With little broken hearts on the side

And I wonder why someone with a heart  
that fragile Wants love  
Perhaps I will never understand  
As I am

Someone who builds an armor to  
protect what can be broken

Maybe I will never understand  
Maybe I will never be a casket girl  
Maybe death is worth more than not  
living at all

My sisters boyfriend laughs  
like he doesn't know what caskets are

But listens like he's open to learning  
If it makes my sister feel like she will  
never need one