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For Demotra

A Valentine

Have a flower,
a little piece of dream
that lies untouched within
the heart of mankind
concealed by anguish
and pain.

Have a flower,
remembering always
that flowers need water
to live
as man needs love.

Have a flower
and make it alive
with your tears.

Have a flower
if nothing else.

Have a flower.

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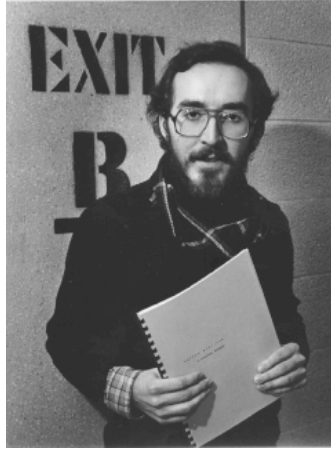
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