

NOT NOW

Now it will not be
not now
we will not live together
I will not raise your son
I will not sew your clothes
I will not have you at night
I will not kiss you before I leave
you will never know who I was
why others loved me.
I will never come to know
why or how
or if what you said
was true
or who you were
or what I was to you
or how it would have been
to live together
to love each other
to wait for each other
to be.
Now I am only myself
forever and you
now
are not for me
only yourself. You are no longer there
a day in the future
I will not know where you live
with whom
or if you remember.
You will never embrace me
like that night

never.
I will not touch you again.
I will not see you die.