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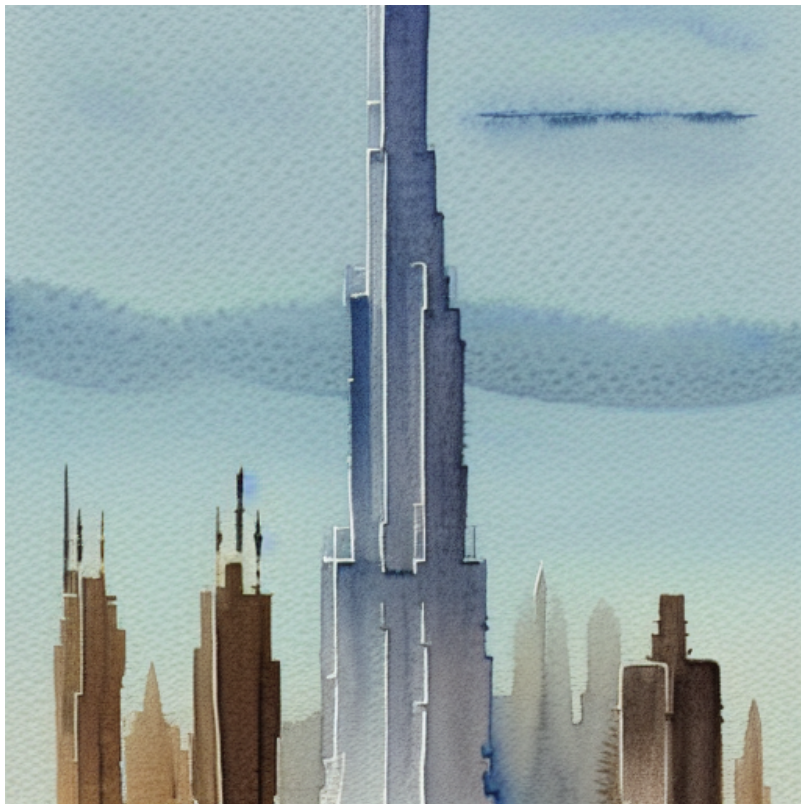
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A collection of poems that never quite worked properly  
And always seemed to burn the toast  
It never was quite right  
But we never gave up on it  
And, in the end, it served us well.

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## **The Day I Became an Engineer**

I was only seven when I decided  
I wanted to be an engineer  
It was the day my dad took me

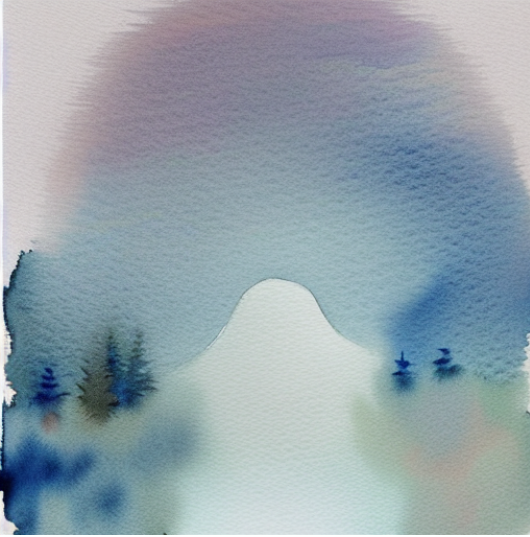
To see the big machines  
The ones that move the earth  
And build the tallest skyscrapers

I was in awe of their power  
And I knew that I wanted  
To be the one who controlled them

Now, years later, I am an engineer  
And I can make those machines do my bidding  
It's a great feeling to know

That I achieved my goal  
And it all started with that one day

When my dad showed me what engineers can do



## **The Sound of Silence**

The sound of silence is like a calm before the storm

It's like the world is holding its breath

And everything is still and waiting

For the next moment to begin



## **I'm sorry**

I'm sorry for all the times I lied,  
I'm sorry for all the times I hurt you,  
I'm sorry for all the times I made you cry,  
I'm sorry for all the times I made you feel like you weren't  
good enough,  
I'm sorry for all the times I made you feel like you didn't  
matter,  
I'm sorry for all the times I made you feel like you were  
nothing to me,  
I'm sorry for all the times I made you feel like you were  
nothing to anyone,  
I'm sorry for all the times I made you feel like you were  
nothing at all.





## The Hope

A hope you have that will never die  
A hope you have that keeps you going  
A hope you have that will never fade

This hope you have is like a star  
It guides you through the dark  
And shows you the way

This hope you have is like a fire  
It warms you when you're cold  
And gives you the strength to carry on

This hope you have is like a song  
It lifts your spirits when you're down  
And gives you the courage to face the day

This hope you have is like a prayer  
It gives you comfort when you're scared  
And gives you the faith to believe

This hope you have is like a friend  
It's always there for you  
And never leaves your side

This hope you have is like a gift  
From God above  
It's the best gift you'll ever receive

And this hope you have will never die  
It will never fade  
It will always be there for you

No matter what happens in this life  
Your hope will never die

