## **Dairy Queen**

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It was July, the summer of '62, About me my folks didn't know what to do

Sent to Colorado to spend with family Jumping rope and climbing trees.

An innocent time playing baseball and catching bugs Until the suffocation of a warm slow hug.

Rewarded with secrets and Dairy Queen
It felt like a really bad dream
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The quiver in my body was a testament Of all the self-loathing, hatred, and judgment.

My feelings were a reminder, trying to come clean.

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I carry that with me an emotional chase, Celebrating the end of that warm embrace.

I left Colorado, left the scene Left the secrets and the Dairy Queen Left the Secrets and the Dairy Queen....