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## Shovel

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*Raven Baugh*

Lovely little  
Ditch digger  
Scraping at the concrete

Edges dulling down  
Red rashing from the rain  
Body flaking and shaking  
Yet continuing to last

It's a shame  
Your quivering  
And last week you were so  
Glad  
To be head first in the mud  
Socket popping off your shaft

I gripped you tightly  
Your frayed metal digging at my  
hands  
Then shoved your round tip back  
down  
Down in the ground

It has been hours in the sky's shower  
And I've lost my mind  
So I'm filing you  
Then hiding you  
Before your cutting blade  
pierces through my shame

Edges dulled down  
Red rash from the rain  
Body flaked and shaken

When I think about it,  
I guess I'm kinda sorry,  
I never loved you a day.