

## Amitriptyline

John Vanderslice

So long, goodbye  
By order of the pasadena court  
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500 milligrams are needed everyday  
Held down by a pharmaceutical hand  
Are needed everyday  
So we can regulate  
My uncontrollable rage

Remember me as I was  
Too much life  
And oh too much love  
Last week my lastly stunning stunt  
Top tier my jumping chandelier

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I was a quiet lunchbox lonely little boy  
Reading sci-fi broken treehouse on the shore  
At nineteen the talking in my head  
Got harder to understand  
No work, no school, drifting, a failing satellite  
Don't feel sorry for me I've been happy too  
Manic, kindly, blinding, high-res euphoria

Please remember me as I was  
The crowning dove  
The clowning judge  
Sad king alone in the western wing  
Holding foe's laughing, severed head

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