My Grandma Was Pearl Hall

The Middle East

Mothers
Love their children
Even when they
Are violent.
'Cause all good
Sons and daughters
Love the ones they
Look like.

Fathers
Keep their kids safe
On the street
Men died.
'Cause all good
Sons or fathers
Know that kids are
Frightened
Of them.

Went home
With your rocket
But a nearing
Spirit.
Survived
A death adder
But you drowned in
Liquid.

You learned
From your father
How to husband
Animals.
And I learned
from my father
That all men
Are animals.

Jesus,
you're a fire
In my foreskin
everyday.
Burning
Oh you're burning
Dead and lonely
You remain.