

# Smoky Blue Haze

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A vision of him

Through a smoky blue haze

Found deep in the stillness

Of a cold Winter's day

Pensive and quiet

Mild and withdrawn

The shadows of youth

Echo into the dawn

Behold days of courage

Behold days when wild

The heart of a man

The scars of a child

The anger, the wonder

The tears, joy and pain

The laughter, the love

The loss, death did claim

All captured in time

Whilst observing the ways

Of a man and a moment

In the smoky blue haze