Lines from Infinity Road

A Love Song to the BNL Roadrunners

Alone upon this straight and solitary path
I look for you upon the dusty road ahead.
When you appear, I know you by your stride
Before I can discern your face. You lift your hand
In greeting, smile, pass on ~ each one of you so dear
That sorrow at our parting is too much to bear.

I learn with some surprise one cannot weep and run ~
The throat's constriction stays the easy breath,
Slows motion to a walk until the tears have ceased,
The mind has stilled, and breath flows free again.
I turn to contemplation of the miles ahead
Where new companions wait to fill the emptiness.

I love you all ~ my brothers who have led the way
Through unimagined miles, whose caring gave me strength
To persevere and follow. You have changed my life.
And you, my sisters and my daughters, once so few ~
What joy to see you all grow strong and proud and free.
Go farther, faster ~ spread your wings upon the wind!

Dear friends, each run with you is treasured; each has spun
A web between us, tenuous as spiders' silk ~
But astral threads endure, transcending time and place.
We'll run again together on a future path ~
If not in actuality, we'll meet in dreams.
Remember me as I'll remember you ~ with love.

Peace ~

Anne

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