

# Quiet Violence

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If you hit me with words you don't say, it still hurts  
So I'll hit you back by biting my tongue  
And we'll have a war without any volume  
And I will remember, I'll just remember the sounds we used to make

But memories have no noise  
Memories have no voice

Our tragedy, it lies in the silence  
The still of the storm  
The quiet violence  
It's wrapped itself in blankets and pillows and gone to sleep  
Our tragedy is the mouths with no motion  
The questions we ask, but the answers unspoken  
We sit here together, we laugh and we smile but we bleed.

We sat in the back row together  
I couldn't really see above the tall people sitting in front of me  
So I closed my eyes real tight and I listened  
And I can remember, I still remember we didn't need to speak

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Memories can't speak out loud

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