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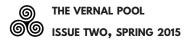
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# HUGO LOPEZ TO EVAN WHITE



#### To Evan White

Life is a leaf, hanging from the fragile branch of an ancient tree.

I didn't know you; I couldn't call you my friend. But from your close ones I learned your name.

Life is a leaf waiting for the autumn wind; it hangs from the fragile branch of a dying tree.

Your friends and I waited for you in a library room as you raged against a dying sun on your iron steed.

Life is a leaf. Yours hung from the branch of a living tree. The autumn breeze ripped it and took you on its arms, without permission, without advice.

The wind of fall caused your leaf to fall and kept you from meeting us while we kept on waiting. In the end all that arrived were memories of you that echoed in a room with an empty chair. Life is a leaf --Might ours join yours At an autumn sunset.

Evan White was a student who died in a motorcycle accident in November 2014. He was the public relationships officer of the Martial Arts Club and had arranged a meeting with another organization a week prior to the accident. He never made it to the meeting.