

# Love Poem

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Tempo: ♩ = 54

Tempo: ♩ = 72

Soprano

Piano

*p* *cresc.* *f* *pp* *pp*

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There \_\_\_\_\_

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— is a shy - ness that we have On - ly with those whom we most love.

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Some - thing it has to do al - so With how we\_ ca - nnot bring to mind A

♩ = 48

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face whose every line we know. O love is kind, O love is

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♩ = 54

♩ = 72

kind.

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That there should still re-main the first Sweet-ness, al-so the la-ter thirst -

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This is why pain must play some part In all true-fee-ling's that we find And

35  $\text{♩} = 54$

e - very\_ sha-king of theheart. O\_ love iskind,

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O\_ love iskind.

48  $\text{♩} = 72$

53  $\text{♩} = 80$  *f*

And\_ it is right that we should want di - scre\_ tion, se - cre - cy,

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no hint Of what we share. Love which cries out,

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And wants the world to un - der - stand, Is love that

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holds it - self in doubt.

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For love is qui - et, and love is kind.