

Time to Listen

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With Cavan Library Service
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Be Time

A Daughter Going Home - About his poem

In 2000 my daughter Kelly died. She was 20 years old and a diabetic, who went into a coma and never woke up one morning.

For nearly two years I kept driving, to County Antrim and elsewhere, up and down, maybe every week, maybe twice a week.

I couldn't settle and only years later I saw this for the shock her death had been. I felt my life was reduced to movement and arriving and leaving, people and places. There seemed to be no solace anywhere, a lonely time, where Kelly and I drove and drove, covering as many miles as we could, while reality and life were the distant things.

Heather Brett