

# Anthology of Finchy



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*My poetic side* 

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66 year old retiree trying to do something different,  
so thought I would have a go at writing a few Poems  
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## SPACE LOVE

**Space Love** by *Ray Finch* A flash of LIGHT then a BIG BANG At the very same moment you held my hand This was the start of something for sure Our love expanding for evermore Stars forming and twinkling their light The moon shining ever so bright Meteors and comets shooting through space Cosmic dust swirling at pace So many galaxies and planets out there As we look up in wonder and can but stare Now we orbit around so many spheres In the dwindling twilight of our years Our **time** having stretched far away Black holes swallow and the memories decay

## ALONE

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*Ray Finch*

The sound of the sea crashing on the rocks  
Looks like I'm the one mankind has forgot  
On this island that's yet to be found  
I stand on the beach and look around  
Crashing and rumbling as dark skies appear  
Me in my loin cloth with my trusty spear  
A terrible accident happened with the flight  
Those no longer here are now out of sight  
Each and every day I still look up high  
Hoping to see a plane in the sky  
I scan the horizon looking out to sea  
Maybe a ship might be passing by me  
But alas no, I'm all alone  
I've given up hope of getting back home

**ANOTHER****ANOTHER***Ray Finch*

Listening to the wind blowing down the street, listening to the pouring rain  
Listening to my heart as it beat's, that's when I start to feel the pain  
I close my eyes tightly shut, to erase the pictures that they took  
But seeing you, arms around another man, I don't know if I ever can  
We married young, with much life ahead  
Vows and promises, we both said  
Me to you and you to me  
In front of both our families  
So in love on that glorious day  
How could we know it would end this way  
Listening to the wind blowing down the street, listening to the pouring rain  
Listening to my heart as it beat's, that's when I start to feel the pain  
I close my eyes tightly shut, to erase the pictures that they took  
But seeing you, kiss another man, I don't know if I ever can  
I thought our life was comfy and good  
You wanted out but I never would  
Then I found you had another  
A younger, taller, better lover  
That really spelt the end for me  
Now goodbye for eternity  
Listening to the wind blowing down the street, listening to the pouring rain  
Listening to my heart as it beat's, that's when I start to feel the pain  
I close my eyes tightly shut, to erase the pictures that they took  
But seeing you, hand in hand with another man, I don't know if I ever can

## BAD WEEKEND

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*By*

*Ray Finch*

Women together friends forever  
Our Rings glistening in the light  
A weekend away months in the planning  
Our husbands at home its only right  
Out for fun and maybe a dance  
who knows even romance  
Married for years now life is stale  
We need excitement as we take the chance  
Someone approaches smiling and sure  
Drink in hand what's he looking for  
You look nice would you care to dance  
Well yes ok are you after romance  
Because I'm married as you probably can see  
But I don't mind if you take advantage of me  
The morning comes head sore as a bear  
Looking around for my clothes to wear  
I hear I groan as I look to see  
Omg who's this lying next to me  
I stagger and dress as best I can  
Realising I've slept with another man  
I stop and cry as I realise now  
This weekend away has ruined my life for now



**BEACH**

Lovely sun sea and sand  
As we walk hand in hand  
So many sights to be seen  
Bodies covered in sunscreen  
The waves lapping at our feet  
Smiling friends that we've yet to meet  
Family laughter and children's squeals  
Let's sit here, this spots ideal  
So we can gaze and look around  
Asking the beach comber what he's found  
His machine keeps going beep beep beep  
You digging a hole and burying my feet  
Sunbathing and swimming is for today  
So let's enjoy ourselves before we head away

## CHURCH

### CHURCH

*by ray finch*

To Mellor church to see Mum and Dad  
Yes whenever I go I feel so sad  
But on this another bright summers day  
I slowly walk to where they lay  
I get to the church then turn the corner and see  
All Greater Manchester looking back at me  
As I look towards my right  
The hills of Yorkshire what a beautiful sight  
Then I look left and everything pales  
There before me, the stunning green hills of Wales  
I'm so lucky to have this view  
Whenever I come to visit you  
The flowers I lay shine so bright  
As they bask in your guiding light  
The light I have and will always follow  
Yesterday, today and tomorrow  
So till I come again I will now say goodbye  
And blow you a kiss with a tear in my eye

## CLOUD

### CLOUD

*By*

*Ray Finch*

I'm a fluffy white cloud floating high in the sky  
The people below me are like ants passing by  
Made of the vapor that comes up from below  
Where am I heading I don't really know  
The winds that blow me, often change their minds  
As I link up with others and grow my waistline  
The heavier I get I then start to fall  
As my mood darkens now here comes my squall  
Rain sleet and snow now falling down  
Some in the oceans or on barren ground  
But wherever I fall I won't be forlorn  
Because one day I know, I will be reborn

# DARTS

## DARTS

*Ray Finch*

New darts in hand, stems and flights aligned  
Walk to the hockey, in position, now take my time  
Look at the board aim the dart and let it go  
Following its path as it puts on a show  
Wow good throw, 60 scored 2 more to go

Same again, eye and arm in line  
Foot on the hockey, the release is fine  
Slicing through the air, It's straight and neat  
Both side by side, that's no mean feat  
Wow good throw, 120 scored 1 more to go

Now settle down, and forget the crowd  
Do this right and feel proud  
Raise your arm, and lock your eye  
Now let's all see that dart fly  
Wow good throw, no more to go  
One Hundred & EIGHTY  
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## DOPPELGANGER

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*Ray Finch*

When I moved from there to here  
Out on my own that was my fear  
The many walks along the beach and pier  
Were sometimes sad and with a tear  
But now I'm seeing you everywhere I go  
But how can that be, you're not someone I know  
Your face is here and your face is there  
Each time I see you, I just stop and stare  
So when I do please don't show anger  
I know it's not you, you're just a doppelganger

## EVENTS

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*By*

*Ray Finch*

A tsunami of humanity comes cascading down the street  
An avalanche of people some friends I've yet to meet  
A volcanic reaction as the day now turns to night  
Shadows starting to appear beneath the bright moonlight  
Gyrating bodies and moving feet make the dance floors shake  
As the ground starts to tremble like an earthquake  
Blown in by a hurricane  
Into my life you came  
A burning wildfire of love in our hearts  
As we walk hand in hand as our life now starts  
So the night lights now dazzle before the sun will next appear  
When we realise the life we have is special take it and hold it dear

## FANTASY

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*by*

*Ray Finch*

The first time I saw you I needed more time  
To plot and plan how to make you mine  
Your dazzling smile and deep blue eyes  
Just like an angel's, from above the skies  
Then you were there walking down the street  
Laughing and joking shuffling your feet  
Into the club, I followed you there  
Drink in hand I could but stare  
Your body moving to the night sounds and beat  
The way you were dancing was oh so neat  
Your staring this way, are you looking at me  
I really hope you like what you see  
Us together for eternity  
Omg That's my  
FANTASY

## FRIDAY NIGHT

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*Ray Finch*

The lone wolf's out he's on the prowl  
Come midnight, you will hear him howl  
As he sniff's the air and raises his snout  
The girlfriend's and wives are now coming out  
The prey is so pretty, and its waiting there  
He knows it's willing and ready to snare  
Discarded rings, white bands now showing  
Husbands at home and no way of knowing  
He licks his lips he's picked up the scent  
He buys the drinks its money well spent  
Now on the dance floor and not alone  
Won't be long, before he's taking her home



**FRIEND**

As I lay in bed nice and warm just like the moth in his cocoon under the bright moonlight

You come and speak to me sometimes barely a whisper, but your words are soothing and make me feel good and right

Then other nights when you are there and I hear your almighty roar, like you are angry but still your words are comforting

Like most people all my life I've listened to you, but no matter how hard we all try, you hide yourself and so we never get to see who does our consoling

In the day time you still give us your wisdom, but rarely do we take the time to listen as we live our modern lives at break neck speed

Why can't we go back in time when life was more simple, instead of this rushing around and always needing to do another deed

Peace, understanding, tranquillity and love is what we need to help rid our minds of what we now know is life's modern day disease

As each and every one of us constantly battles with life's challenges, bogging us down because there is always something or somebody we need to appease

I dream of the desert island on my own, living each and every day in tranquillity, the faint rustling of leaves and gentle lapping of the waves the only sound

Looking over the horizon what I left behind now no longer visible, but in my heart I know where I am is where I should be, but also sad when at times you are not around

Sometimes you blow hot sometimes cold, depends on the time of year, but one thing is for certain you will never leave me

I will leave you first but when I do I have the comfort in knowing that you will still be here and helping to guide along all members of my family tree

Thank you for always being there comforting and helping each and every one of us as we live our lives, even those who along the way have sinned

My dear friend the Wind

## HEARTBEAT

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*Ray Finch*

Bright lights, then noise all around  
Never before have I heard these sounds  
Aww's and Ahh's and little sighs  
Then I do, what baby's do, and start to cry  
So it's back to mother and in her arms for me  
Dad's standing there as proud as can be  
Mother speaks to me as only she can  
Your life's now before you my little man  
It's a new canvas, white and plain  
For you to fill in, as your life starts to gain  
You have 2.5 billion, but use them with care  
Make every one count while you're still there  
We all want to see and we all want to know  
So paint on that canvas as your life starts to grow  
As we now look, the canvas is coloured and glowing  
In our hearts and minds all of us knowing  
We've followed your life the good and the pain  
And sooner or later we will meet you again

## HOLY GRAIL

**HOLY GRAIL** *By Ray Finch* The thing about love its the holy grail We chase after it but relationships fail If the love is real it wont go away For love and respect will always stay

## I DONT EVER

### I DON'T EVER NOT WANT

*Ray Finch*

I don't ever not want, to see your face again  
I don't ever not want, to heal your pain  
I don't ever not want, to be beside you  
I don't ever not want, to steer and guide you  
I am their always, so close your eyes tightly shut  
The memories appear that you love so much  
Tell me your problems your hurt and your pain  
I will help soothe you, again and again  
Who am I, this angel above  
I'm your father sending all of my love  
The last time we met we said goodbye  
All smiles and tears our love did not die  
So my child, open your eyes and look up high  
My face will appear in the clouds in the sky  
I don't ever not want, to know about you  
I don't ever not want, to know what you do  
I don't ever not want, to always be there  
I don't ever not want, to have no love to share  
So always remember, I am here I am there  
Enjoy your life, be happy, and always take care  
God Bless

## IN THE MIRROR

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*By*

*Ray Finch*

I look in the mirror and I have to stare  
I look in the mirror it's just me there  
I look in the mirror now what do I see  
I look in the mirror it's still only me  
So many years I've lived, so many years I've grown  
Just rambling around with no real home  
Like the proverbial gnome who sits on his stone  
Rod in hand fishing alone  
For the life of me why  
With tears I cry  
A family life, I had it all  
Now as I look in the mirror I feel so small  
So for me now Its new beginnings  
The past is the past  
It's a new set of innings

## L-O-V-E

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*Ray Finch*

My girlfriend one day said to me  
look into my eyes tell me what you see  
Because I really need to know for sure  
Your love for me is forever more  
So I looked into her eyes  
And what I saw to my surprise  
They reflected right back to me  
The letters  
L-O-V-E  
I smiled, as I then replied  
You're the girl to be my bride  
And as I got onto one knee  
She was staring down at me  
Then on what would be our special day  
The five famous words I then did say  
'WILL YOU BE MY BRIDE'  
She gasped out, and then replied  
?

## LOVE & YOU

LOVE and YOU By Ray Finch **Each and every day** I still feel your kiss as I hear the words you would say Loving you more and more with each passing day 60 seconds, 60 minutes, 24 hours A week, a month, a year or two So much time but it wasn't all ours Now as I remember I smile back at you Our love's forever or that's the way it seems Etched in my memory and all of my dreams My days are still happy colourful and bright Without hearing your laughter or seeing the sunlight Now it's in words and everyone knows Just how much for you my love grows **Each and every day**



## MARS

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*Ray Finch*

Elon says, we Musk go and explore  
Build on Mars, for evermore  
Richard says, we will go so high  
Cheese and Branston, in the sky  
Jeff says, Bezos we can  
Watch out space here comes man  
NASA says, let's stay cool  
Ignite our rockets with different fuel  
Kryptonite, that might do  
Ask Superman, he once flew too  
The space lab's there for us all to share  
But do we humans really care  
Now GPS, is tracking you  
And everything that you do  
So the 3 rich men, say that we must go  
So white suits on, now for the show  
Countdowns started  
10, 9, 8  
Waiting at the departure gate  
7, 6, 5  
Let's keep mankind alive  
4, 3, 2  
Me you and the crew  
1  
Gone!

## MEDIA

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*Ray Finch*

Why do we never get to hear  
The other side of the sphere  
We always get to hear them say  
What's out there happening everyday  
Surely there's another side  
Unless the truth they want to hide  
What they tell us just won't do  
They must think we are stupid, me and you  
Doomsday is coming, is all you hear  
That's why they call it project fear  
You may not believe that its fake news  
But really, that's for you to choose  
Me, I have my doubts, I do  
I really think, so should you  
They've told fake news many times before  
It no longer causes a furore  
So should we look on Wikipedia  
Well It's Just as truthful as the media

## MONTHS

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*Ray Finch*

JANUARY, and the year starts anew

With lots of new thoughts and things to do

FEBRUARY, and now the cold winds blow

Bringing with them the rain and the snow

MARCH, and the skies start to clear

Easters nearly upon us yes its nearly here

APRIL, oh what a month so hot and humid, that sounds so cool

What you believe me, you April fool

MAY, now starting to flower and the Queens do their dance

So don't look back at winter not even a glance

JUNE, already, has come way to soon

With lots of clear skies, to view the sun and the moon

JULY, now halfway through the year

Brings lots of smiling faces and plenty of cheer

AUGUST, is a must for travel and vacations

So no more at home or staycations

SEPTEMBER, now time to look back and ponder

Come on cheer up and don't be so sombre

OCTOBER, a month that's gloomy and dull

Never mind, will soon be Christmas with crackers to pull

NOVEMBER, the rockets and fires light the sky

Lots of treacle toffee, parking and apple pie

DECEMBER, the year now almost over, so with a glass and a cheer

A toast to those, we love, cherish, and hold so dear

## MOTHERS SPECIAL BEAUTY

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By

Ray Finch

The darkness now starting to turn grey as the light slowly filters in  
Like a window blind opening and letting in the daylight  
My eyes adjusting as the grey becomes clearer  
Then Suddenly I can see and the sight before me is one of unbridled loveliness  
That will be etched inside my memory forever  
My first sight of *BEAUTY* my Mother

Would I ever see a enigmatic sight again  
Yes the first time I laid eyes on you I was captivated  
So lost for words so tongue tied and dumbstruck to utter anything sensible  
My heart pounding then you smiled and your *BEAUTY* captured me

We dated we married we had our beautiful children

I remember as I looked down at our first born, a Son  
I was too immature to realise what a gift you had bestowed on me  
The *BEAUTY* of this small child that I held in my hands  
And the man he would one day become

Then our second child was born, a Daughter  
Once again so small and perfect in every way  
Another *BEAUTY* that to this day I still marvel at her  
And how she's become so strong and independent

As I'm sure any parent can relate, I've had my share of heartache and worries from them  
I still do roll my eyes in surprise when they decide they know better than me  
But as they make their own way in life with every beat of my heart I love them more each day  
And could not be prouder of my beautiful children

So my Mother, thank you for nurturing me and allowing me to grow inside of you  
So that I could experience my **4** moments of *SPECIAL BEAUTY*  
Which I'm sure will be the final images that flash before me  
When It's finally time for me to come and see you again

## MOTORWAY

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*Ray Finch*

Today's the day we've been waiting for  
Man and wife under god's own law  
10 I'm doing on the motorway  
It's only slow but I'm on my way  
20 now but it's still not clear  
Lots of rain and hard to steer  
30 It's a little faster now  
I will get there someway somehow  
40 and now the sun I see  
Peeking out and shining on me  
50 yes I'm getting near  
The church bells ringing I can almost hear  
60 and it won't be long  
The congregation in full song  
70 the limit now reached and cutting it fine  
But I will be there, just in time  
My foot's now further to the floor  
The wheels spin as the engine roars  
Red lights in front where did they come from  
My legs won't work my body's gone  
But my minds still working, it's just fine  
A light I see, it brightly shines  
What's that beep, it's slowing down  
My body's rising leaving the ground  
Now it's floating I'm going high  
Quick my 'WIFE' say 'GOODBYE'

## NATURES LOVE

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*By*

Ray Finch

As we walk hand in hand  
Through the flowers of this green land  
Quietly listening to natures sounds  
The love between us knowing no bounds  
Hills and valleys stretching far and wide  
The love we have, never to hide  
The cracks and the rumbles high above  
The rain that falls will feed that love  
So you may grow into a rose for me  
The symbolic flower of this great country

## NUCLEAR BLUES

### **Nuclear Blues**

*by*

*Ray Finch*

Sailing under the seas stealthly and unseen,  
The first you will know of me is when my missiles scream  
Bursting through the surface as they now race away,  
Bringing with them, their own judgment day  
Tracking them from space speeding towards you,  
All is now lost there is nothing you can do  
We could of shaken hands but that wasn't to be,  
Instead you wanted to make , an enemy of me  
Now it's computers steer as it gets ever near,  
Soon on your radars it will appear  
Say a prayer as you count the seconds down,  
For soon mankind will no longer be around  
The rest will join in giving their buttons a press,  
Omg how did we end up in this bloody mess



**OLD MAN**

Looking out to sea, clothes ripped threadbare and torn  
This once proud man, now sad and forlorn  
He's nowhere to go, he's nowhere to stay  
Wondering around, becomes just another day  
So many years ago, when he witnessed such hell  
So many tales, that he could now tell  
But they don't want to know, they say go away  
We don't care about you, either yesterday, tomorrow or today  
If only they knew, about the battles and cries  
Head in hands, as another comrade dies  
The war now over, and back home he came  
Nobody wanting, to even know his name  
Shunned by the nation, he once fought for  
Oh god he ask's, what's the use of war  
This man, who once stood so proud and tall  
Now remembers, how all gave some and some gave all  
So please now help him, to find his dignity  
Give him a home in your city  
Where will you find him, he's looking out to sea  
Yes I'm that man, that man is me

## PLANETS

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*Ray Finch*

The Current Bun our beautiful SUN  
Warms us up as its always done  
MERCURY is first on the list  
It's so small it's easy to miss  
VENUS is next, the planet of love  
Lots of kisses and lily white doves  
EARTH now, the sun's number one  
Other planets, having long been and gone  
MAR'S where man will next go  
What he will find nobody knows  
JUPITER the biggest of them all  
All wind and gas so it won't fall  
SATURN with its eight rings  
Full of debris, dust and other things  
URANUS can't be left behind  
The Greek god of the sky, I think you will find  
NEPTUNE the furthest away  
And also the densest for it to stay that way  
The list is now finished as we know  
Unless Hubble finds another, where we can all go

## REMEMBER

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*By*

*Ray Finch*

The village where I grew, so picturesque small and pretty  
So much better we all thought, than living in a city  
With lots of open spaces, and woods to go and play  
Coming home at night, head to toe in mud and clay  
Mother would say, oh my goodness look at you  
But mum we beat the Indians, and played footy too  
So many memories, that I now have  
Fixing bikes and other things, with my dear old dad  
Me and my brother, were as close as can be  
Many secrets we held, just him and me  
So on this day as we now recall  
The lives of hero's who have bled away  
We will remember all of them, In our own special way

## RESPECT

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*Ray Finch*

I don't have any stories to tell  
For I don't want to bore you to hell  
That was then and this is now  
And both our lives just don't gel  
Your beliefs values and time  
Are nowhere near the same as mine  
Life changes, what I enjoyed was good  
But the test of time it's just not stood  
As people change in every nation  
Life then changes for each generation  
Who is wrong and who is right  
It's no matter they still will fight  
In my footsteps you once stood  
Now making your own as you should  
I know it's hard talking to one other  
But we really should, tolerate each another  
Yes you are young and I am old  
And I know you won't be told  
But what I've known and seen is good  
So respect for me should be understood  
Treat me right and listen to me  
Even though you don't agree  
This sermon ends here and now  
as we will find a way  
Somehow!

## ROAM

### ROAM

*Ray Finch*

Don't be sad and let me see you smile  
A picture in my heart, mile after mile  
You all know that I must roam  
But I promise, one day to come back home  
Back, so you all can see  
You are my love, my life, my family  
But the tracks now call me down the line  
There's no need to worry I will be fine  
Who knows where I may go, or what I will see  
Maybe its California or Memphis in Tennessee  
Through all kinds of weather, sun, snow, wind and rain  
One day I will come back, to take over the reins  
But till then, please take care of one another  
My wife, son, daughter, sister, and brother

## SCRAPS OF LOVE

### Scraps of Love

*By*

*Ray Finch*

You left my tanks empty all my ballast now gone  
No longer submerged but sitting high in the sun  
Pitching and rolling In the choppy seas of love  
The noise of the sea birds as they circle above  
As you discard all the scraps of our love  
Now no more for me to say or heed  
As they start to dive down In a frenzied feed

**SNAKE**

So young but how could we ever forget We were strangers when so many years ago we first met  
Then it happened and friends we became As we laughed and joked then traded our names So silly  
at the time to think that you could be mine But boy and girlfriend we become and everything was  
fine All through our teens and youth No secrets or lies always telling each other the truth Then it  
happend me on one knee I asked and you betrothed yourself to me Then the snake appeared the  
one with no ears, just relying on taste and smell With our marriage he caused such hell Now it's  
many years later and I'm looking back.....

## TRANQUILITY

### TRANQUILITY

*By*

*Ray Finch*

The glow of the setting sun cascading its light over the gently lapping waves as they race upon the shore

A shimmering light reflecting off each peak as it rises then slowly slides back into the giant ocean

A gentle breeze that rustles through the leaves of the palms creating a sound of calmness

A far away intermittent light that helps to guide and keep you safe

Such a beautiful setting can only mean

Tranquillity



## WAKE

### WAKE

*Ray Finch*

Black ties white shirts best suits  
Buffet plates great mates good roots  
Great bloke, didn't smoke  
Had a drink, didn't think  
Much too late, he hit the brake  
Speeding car, no control  
Police out, on patrol  
Sirens on, a dui  
No time, to say goodbye  
Angels waiting, in the sky  
Another life, passes by  
Black ties white shirts best suits  
Buffet plates great mates good roots  
Envied him, he went so far  
Never famous, but still a star  
Never again, will I ever see  
This guy, always next to me  
Many times we disagreed  
But family plants, the bonding seeds  
One great guy, what can I say  
Rain or shine, or come what may  
We will meet, another day  
Black ties white shirts best suits  
Buffet plates great mates good roots

## WHY

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*by*

*Ray Finch*

Why do you let yourself settle for less

How do they get to pass your test

Really Is your bar so low

You shrug your shoulders and just let it go

They swear in front of you, and think it's cool

When in reality just bloody fools

Find someone that will treat you nice

Maybe not all things good, and full of spice

Just someone who wants one day to be

In front of you on bended knee

Looking up into your eyes

A straight forward question with no surprise

Someone for you to love and trust

To get you through that is a must

So many of us as we go through life

Avoid the issues not wanting the strife

So don't you dare ever settle for less

Always remember you are the best.

**WIFE****WIFE***Ray Finch*

When you see her please let her know  
I just gave up and let her go  
She wanted out, I know not why  
I stayed strong I did not cry  
Where's she gone, I know not where  
These four walls are now so bare  
I'm not strong, I'm mild and weak  
How will I make it into next week  
Has she another, of that I'm sure  
I miss her so, my heart is sore  
When you see her as I know you will  
You still my friend, that's a bitter pill  
I trusted you, with my life  
You stepped right in and stole my wife  
I hope you kiss her, every night  
For when it's dark she's sometimes fright  
Look after her please do it for me  
Now that I've finally set her free  
I'm lonely lost and on my own  
Just sitting by the telephone  
Please let it ring, and let it be  
So I can say come back to me  
I love you now and always would  
So much more, than he ever could  
So when you see her please let her know  
I didn't want to let her go  
I would of loved her all my life  
If only, she would of stayed my wife