

Masterpiece (villanelle)

That I may leave here in total peace
Begging for nothing as I go
Wrapped in assurance I'll see heaven's masterpiece

With arms raised may my joy increase
That you will be there, I need to know
That I may leave here in total peace

My visions of you may they never cease
May my love for you only grow
Wrapped in assurance I'll see heaven's masterpiece

May pleasing you always be my center piece
May my thankfulness in my heart always show
That I may leave here in total peace

I know the hour is near on my timepiece
Even so I say let the trumpet blow
Wrapped in assurance I'll see heaven's masterpiece

May I ride upon a cloud soft as fleece
With joy may my face be all aglow
That I may leave here in total peace
Wrapped in assurance I'll see heaven's masterpiece

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