

Tears

by Margaret Garrett

“Tears are words
that need to be written.”*

I need to write you.
My head doesn't know what to do with you, so
I need to write you.
My heart is full with you, so
I need to write you.

I lifted you up too high,
but you refuse to fall.
So I write you to loosen the ties
that bind my heart to you.

What a cruel twist of fate,
To show me what I've always longed for
But I can't have it.
So I'll just have to write you.

You are the tears that I cry.
The tears of joy
when I hear your voice after a long absence.
The tears of sorrow
when I long to be close to you.
The tears of anguish
when I try to resign myself
that I will never have you as I wish.

So all I can do is write you.

*Paulo Coelho