

## Silent Warrior

dead presidents dance  
for me  
beside-  
me

Courageous obsessions  
I invent  
maintain

sisters  
and brothers  
of a lesser god

no idea  
what they have  
in mind

I suffer  
the only love  
I can

like a telephone  
recorded commission  
I stand beside  
you

like religion  
children  
and storms

the dance  
persists  
I learn to sing

stop trying to  
make me-  
feel

