

## Back of the bus butterfly

I'm a back of the bus butterfly.  
Long day at work,  
tired of giving in.  
Back of the bus smells like a bag of garbage.  
when will it end ?  
Tired of giving in.  
Bus got too crowded.  
Several whites are now standing.  
Tired of giving in.  
The bus is now stopped.  
The driver is up and removed the sign to separate the "colors" from the whites farther  
back.  
Tired of giving in.  
He's asking a few blacks to get up and give their seats to the whites standing, but not  
me .  
    I'm tired of giving in.  
Refuse to give up my seat to a white passenger.  
He's just the same as you and me.  
Tired of giving in.  
Got arrested but this sparked the Montgomery bus boycott and ended segregation  
nationwide.  
I bet this isn't what the driver expected to happen when he got me arrested.  
You wanna know why?  
    because i WAS,  
        just the back of the bus butterfly.

— *Ma'Rita Long*