Do You Remember?

Today I saw a weather map of your birthday.

It was 10:35 at night and we experienced thunderstorms.

Do you remember this day

Like you remember your first kiss?

Two children hiding timidly under the heavy coats of winter.

Tucked tightly under the back seats of the bus.

Both of you experimenting with your independently innocent lips.

Trying to be adults as you both giggle like carefree children.

Do you recall the severe lightning like

The horror of being left behind at three

As your parents drove to the coast?

Your only token of their trip was a

Confederate flag post card.

Can you still hear the thunder as it rings in your ears?

Much like your Aunt Clara's humming as she changed your diaper?

Do you remember waking after the storm?

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